It is always exciting to see children happily devouring books and it is lovely to know that, each year, more and more of our children accept the challenge to participate in this program.

This week, parents of children in Years’ 3, 5, 7 and 9 will have received their NAPLAN results. Whilst we know that we have to continue working hard in the area of numeracy across the College, a focus staff have worked and continue to work hard on this year, we were generally very pleased with the College’s NAPLAN results. In particular, the Year 7 and Year 9 results are the strongest the College has seen.

Families have participated in the Student Led Conferences over the last week. Such conferences allow students to talk to their parents about their learning and for families to see portfolios of work that students have produced. Whilst parent/teacher interviews are important activities to discuss student progress, the Student Led Conference well and truly places the student at the centre of the discussion about their learning and makes the student accountable for what they do in a very real way.

Whilst this had been an extremely busy term on a co-curricular level, strong and meaningful learning has continued in our classrooms as well.

The College Mission Statement clearly states that Overnewton “…encourages and supports its students as individuals to achieve at optimum levels in a broad range of curricular and extra-curricular activities and to prepare them for life as responsible members of the community with sound values based on Christian faith”. I trust that this has been the experience of our families this term.

May I take this opportunity of thanking all families for their incredible work in supporting the Family Contribution (18/14 hour) Scheme this term? Our students know that they come to school each day in the most supportive of environments with both staff and families doing everything they can to give Overnewton students the best opportunities we can provide.

I know that our Year 12 students will spend most of the next two weeks in revision classes, attending practise exams or studying hard – this is appropriate given that they will have time for a break soon enough. However, for the rest of our students, I trust that they will enjoy a time of refreshment in readiness for the final term of the school year.

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**College Mission Statement**

Overnewton Anglican Community College encourages and supports its students as individuals to achieve at optimum levels in a broad range of curricular and co-curricular activities and to prepare them for life as responsible members of the community with sound values based on Christian faith. The College will maintain a strong sense of community values and strive to ensure that its educational program is widely accessible and that parents, the community and the Anglican Church enjoy active roles in the life of the College.

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**From the Principal, Mr Jim Laussen**

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**COLLEGE DATES**

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**WORKING BEE THANK YOU**

Thank you to all of the parents that attended the last working bee. As always, a great deal of work was done and the Campus looked great. It was very pleasing to see the progress made on the Canowindra landscaping project. It will make a huge difference once it is finished.

**NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

Over the past few weeks the Middle School students have enjoyed the newest addition to their area. The new playground equipment has been a huge hit with the students and they certainly love using it. In the coming weeks, the entire area around the equipment will be enclosed with a pool type fence, finishing off the project. We would like to thank the Parents and Friends Committee for purchasing this equipment as part of the annual College wish list. The Parents and Friends enormous fundraising efforts each year make these types of projects possible and for that we are extremely grateful.

**TERM 3**

It has been a fabulous term with a huge range of curricular and co-curricular activities undertaken and some great successes by our students. I have been really proud of what has been achieved in music, sport, public speaking and performing arts, particular as we have measured up very favourably against other schools.

The new Junior School building has been developing at remarkable speed and will reach another significant milestone early in Term 4 as the focus moves to the internal fit out, which will really see the learning spaces become evident.

Mrs Candice Ellis has begun maternity leave and we wish her well for the excitement of the coming birth of her first child. In addition, I thank Voula Torey and Leonnie Marchment, who have been working at the College this term in Visual Art and Music classes respectively, and wish them well.

I also wish all students a restful break and the best of luck to our Year 12s in their preparation for the upcoming VCE examinations.

**SATURDAY’S WORKING BEE**

On a beautiful sunny day, a good turn out of parents worked on the timber edging and sandstone walls around the Senior School, finished connecting the Middle School soccer field sprinkler line system, carried out general garden weeding of lower and upper car park gardens, and around the Administration building. General cleaning tasks and washing down of all paths were also done, as well as some filling of divots and rabbit holes on the lower soccer field. I thank all parents who attended.

**UNIFORM**

As the weather warms up, the transition begins to the wearing of less clothing and the wearing of summer uniform in Term 4. I remind all parents and students that the College blazer is to be worn to and from school for all days, except where the temperature is over 30 degrees Celsius.

In particular, students being dropped off in the mornings and being picked up in the afternoons should be wearing their complete uniform between their school areas and the car. A number of students are currently leaving their blazers at home or in their lockers and when they should be wearing them.

Please note that winter uniform is to be worn at Presentation Night, which is on the first Wednesday of Term 4. Accordingly, it would be prudent to have items such as blazers dry cleaned over the holidays.

A number of students opt to have ‘holiday haircuts’ that lead to an appearance that may not be suitable when they are at school and they need to rectify this prior to the first day of Term 4. It is also timely for students to note the requirements of having only basic sleepers or studs in their ears when in school uniform.

**END OF TERM 3**

Term 3 has been an incredibly busy but highly rewarding term for our students. So many activities and so much success in such a wide variety of endeavours. Everyone has certainly earned a break. I would like to thank everyone for their efforts this term and I hope that you have a fantastic two week break. Have an enjoyable and relaxing time whether that be travelling interstate or abroad or just staying at home and catching up with family and friends. I look forward to seeing you all in Term 4.

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**ANTI-BULLYING PLEDGE DAY**

Monday 17th October
JUNIOR SCHOOL-KEILOR CAMPUS
As we head towards the end of the term our students have shown few signs of fatigue. The teachers have ensured that stimulating and enriching activities have kept them engaged throughout the term. It has been busy term characterised by rich educational experiences.

Next term is looking like it will also fly by and we will watch our new Junior School building begin to be fitted out internally – an exciting prospect!

Camps are another big component of our Term 4 program for our Year 2 and 3 students and the excitement is building as they begin to talk about cabin buddies and activities. Camps offer wonderful opportunities for growth and development for young children. They experience a wide range of activities that offer a sense of adventure and team building, while developing leadership, initiative and problem solving skills. During this time the students also have some unique learning opportunities to develop many essential personal and interpersonal skills. The camping experience reinforces the five ‘You Can Do It!’ keys of: Getting Along, Confidence, Resilience, Persistence and Organisation that we explicitly teach in the Junior School.

Year 2 students will head off to Mt. Evelyn Recreation Camp for 2 days/1 night while Year 3 will go to Lancefield Weekaway for 3 days/2 nights. Both of these venues meet the strict requirements and OH&S regulations that Overnewton demands for its students.

Parents often worry about what their children will eat whilst on camp. Both of these venues provide a very generous nutritious menu which includes a variety of foods, whilst ensuring strict adherence to specific food allergy regulations. Students are only required to bring food for snack and lunch on the first day and are not permitted to bring lollies or food for midnight snacks or extra food in case they get hungry. There is always plenty of food for all children and nobody is ever hungry. There have been many instances where a new food is attempted and actually enjoyed!

Camps offer a unique opportunity for students to experience fun, adventure and independence. Students always come home full of fantastic stories to share with their families and pride in their ability to have managed all of this independent of the family unit.

A very successful art sale was held over three mornings last week. The art teachers ensured all students had a quality piece of printed art work for sale. Many parents commented on the high standard of the work. The donations were extremely generous and certainly kept Mrs Pollard and Miss Bonvino busy with sales on each of the mornings. The final tally has not yet been completed, however once finalised, all funds will be spent on gifts for less fortunate children to be distributed via Anglicare.

Last Friday’s Footy Colours Day was an opportunity for the students to demonstrate their loyalty to their team during this exciting time in Melbourne. As well as the football component, our very hard working Parent Support Team provided the opportunity to purchase a donut. Thanks again to Megan Setiawan and Kylie Tunggal who yet again led this initiative in their no fuss, competent way. All funds raised from the gold coin donation will go towards a most worthy children’s cancer charity.

Recently the Preps went on a Minibeast Safari excursion to the Gould League and experienced a variety of learning activities. The students had an exciting day exploring the depths of a compost bin, investigating the life inside a worm farm and examining creatures that live in ponds and in gardens. The Preps found all sorts of creepy crawlies and were fascinated by the role they play in our environment. Reflections from Prep S students are included in this week’s edition of Whispers.

Wishing all everyone an enjoyable September break filled with lovely family time.

Anne McNaughton

My favourite part of the excursion was when we went in the compost bin and saw the huge spider. Joel Brandt

My favourite part was when we dressed up and I dressed up as a farmer. Olivia Evans

When we went outside I liked catching animals. I liked it when Joel caught the sea worm. I liked going down the slide. Christian Mirabello

My favourite thing was dressing up as a centipede. Xavier Robinson

My favourite part of the excursion was the compost bin and the play. I was a worm. Jackson Buenaventura

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING MORNING
Last Tuesday Keilor Campus Junior School students celebrated some of the amazing and exciting things they have learned throughout the term and invited their families along to join in to celebrate their learning. Parents and relatives joined students in their classrooms to participate in a variety of activities with a mathematical focus related to a picture story book. Activities ranged from experiments in Year 3 involving dropping apples into a bucket of water to discover relationships between mass, height and gravity, to Year 1 problem solving, using estimation and the guess and check strategy to find out how many times a rooster might crow in 3 weeks. Year 2 students collected, represented and interpreted data in a bar graph to show information about what frightens them the most, while Prep students found different ways to make 10 using the food eaten by The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Our Year 4 students used their measurement skills and understanding of the connection between area and multiplication to design house plans for Fearless the dog and his family. Celebration of Learning mornings have become a regular event in our term calendar. The focus of our Term 4 Celebration of Learning morning on Wednesday 23rd of November will be student learning portfolios. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mirella Zalakos
The following students received a Student of the Week Certificate this week.

**Prep C**  Roman Pham for listening well in class and staying focussed and engaged on tasks

**Prep L**  Anton Fernandopulle for being a happy and cheerful learner in our classroom

**Prep L**  Christian Nguyen for doing a great job in writing activities

**Prep P**  Georgie Hanzinikolas for showing great confidence when sharing interesting facts about Minibeasts with the class

**Prep P**  Jed Di Martino showing great confidence when sharing his ideas on the microphone at Chapel

**Prep S**  James Wood for working so hard and writing interesting sentences

**1R**  James Daly for ‘Organisation’. He has been trying very hard to make sure he has all his belongings to start work

**1R**  Olivia Dawoud for ‘Persistence’. She is reading like a super star!

**1TK**  Rylan Lopaticki for working hard at remaining focussed during instruction time on the floor and when working at his table

**1TK**  Avraam Antoniades for working consistently at all tasks and completing them in the given time

**1W**  Charlotte Gau from persisting in developing her ability to choose good fit books for independent reading

**2B**  Thomas Nguyen for working hard to improve his writing when he realised that it didn’t make sense

**2B**  Corin Davis for the fantastic improvement in his reading, writing and handwriting. He has worked hard and shown great persistence when doing all activities

**2F**  Christine Luong for consistently working hard to complete all her work and to the best of her ability

**2F**  Gus Sykes for persisting with difficult tasks and never giving up

**2G**  Francesca Tran for successfully using her knowledge of counting patterns to solve multiplication problems

**3C**  Jordan Papazis for great team work and for displaying a wonderful attitude to school

**3C**  Hannah Durow for always working to the best of her ability

**3G**  Isabella Butterworth for being an enthusiastic participant in all classroom activities and a very focussed independent worker

**3P**  Charmaine Hughes for always being persistent and having a go

**3P**  Jarrod Champness for always working with a positive attitude

**4CA**  Nicholas Markovski for always having a positive attitude and showing confidence when trying something new

**4NK**  Joseph De Losa for demonstrating an excellent ‘community’ spirit in locating and sharing (of his own accord) suitable maths ‘apps’ for the class to use on Mr Novakovic’s iPad during maths work time

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**Coming Events**

**Junior School - Keilor Campus**

- **Friday 23rd September**: Walking School Bus Breakfast (8.00am, Junior School BBQ area)
- **Monday 10th October**: First day of Term 4
- **Monday 10th October**: Junior School Assembly 2.15pm

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**STAR STUDENTS**

- **Prep B**: Aliyah Khougaz for making new friends
- **Prep B**: Jacqueline Tran for the ability to count beyond 100
- **Prep ME**: Caytlyn Wilkie for focusing and working hard in class to complete work
- **Prep ME**: James Ristevski for showing kindness and generosity towards his classmates
- **Prep MI**: Jacqueline Hendrick for doing a great ‘once upon a time’ story and doing fantastic drawings that match her writing.
- **Prep MI**: Alannah Elders for doing a great job on her science experiments
- **1E**: Anusha Ramu Reddy for demonstrating excellent knowledge of skip counting by 2s
- **1E**: Jasmine Kutlevski for her caring nature and beautiful big bright smile
- **1G**: Natalie Granville for performing so well at our Japanese Assembly
- **1G**: Jenna Green for being so committed to preparing for our Japanese Assembly
- **1G**: Ram Mude for sharing his maths strategies with the other students
- **1G**: Kate Farnacio for her enthusiastic dancing and her performance in FTT's
- **1T**: Daniel Rullo for being able to reflect on his own work
One full term's written notice is required to withdraw a student from the College. If one full term’s notice is not given to the College, one full term’s fees will be charged.

If you have a child who will not be completing the 2011 academic year or not returning to Overnewton in 2012 please ensure that you notify the Registrar, Mrs Diane King in writing. Email: diane.king@overnewton.vic.edu.au

JUNIOR SCHOOL-TAYLORS LAKES CAMPUS

As the term draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank students, parents and staff for the remarkable events and learning that has taken place over the past nine weeks. On reflection of the term I can think of so many achievements and highlights which make me so proud. During this term, I also celebrated my first year of being a member of the Overnewton Community. The year has gone by so quickly, yet so much has occurred. Over the year, I have met many members of our Overnewton family who have made me feel so very welcome. Overnewton is certainly a unique school which I am so honoured to be a part of.

The Junior School Assembly last week included a fascinating presentation by 1G. The children spent quite some time learning facts about Japan. They were able to give a wonderful Japanese rendition of ‘Twinkle Twinkle Little Star’, as well as counting forward and backwards from 1 – 10 in Japanese. The children in the audience were mesmerized by the varied presentation. We were also treated to two special piano pieces, performed by Lucas Marana and Kate Farnacio. The confidence and talent we see in many of the children in the Junior School makes me very proud. It is certainly a credit to both parents and staff who work so closely with the children to help them to grow and develop to their best potential.

Year 3 and 4 staff spent time this week with visiting Mathematics consultant, Mr Tony Doyle. This is the beginning of the Mathematics review taking place from Years 3 – 6. It is very important for schools to continuously review their programs and ensure they are in line with the latest educational initiatives. More time will be spent on this review in the coming months and further reports will be shared with the Overnewton Community.

NAPLAN results were distributed last week. Year 3 parents would have received their child’s results in the mail. Staff will be analysing the results over the next few weeks, looking for weaknesses and strengths as well as areas that will need further developing. NAPLAN is one of the important tools in assessing our students and the results will be used in conjunction with a variety of other assessments and observations to gain a picture of the whole child.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe break. We look forward to an extremely exciting, yet hectic Term 4. There is a great deal on during Term 4, so please keep up with the calendar of ‘up-coming events’ to ensure your child is fully prepared.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE JUNIOR SCHOOL?

Prep B Inquiry Learning

This term Prep students inquired into ‘How can I be the best learner I can be?’ They were given opportunities to reflect on how they learn and carried out activities related to multiple Intelligences. To celebrate the learning, students were asked to plan, design, produce and evaluate something that helps us to think and learn. Some of these inventions were: computers, ipods, calculators and mobile phones.
Year 3 and 4 BRAINSTORM incursion
The Taylors Lakes Campus Year 3s and 4s recently attended an incursion from Brainstorm Productions, titled ‘The Protectors’. The performance was a staged play where two students attend a ‘Protector School’ where they use their super powers to stop bullying at school and in cyber-space. They discover that being assertive and having empathy are the only super powers they need to build healthy self-esteem and positive relationships.

The production supported our Junior School You Can Do It! program. It focused on important issues such as cyber bullying, protective behaviours, exclusion, friendship, assertiveness, social skills, conflict resolution, anger management, resilience, social websites, and empathy.

The performance was age appropriate - humorous and colourful, with singing and repetitive actions, where the students were able to join in. It was a memorable and well delivered performance that captivated the students’ attention throughout.

I think it was entertaining. I learned that bullying is not good

Stephanie Gouder (4A)

It was really good because it taught me and my friends a lesson about friendship. I think it was a really good experience

Rochelle Saad (3AC)

I felt that it was very serious because it was about bullying

Alexander Marcote (4NJ)

I thought it was good. There is a way of getting to a bully without bullying back

Jackson Rex (3AC)

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to the following Taylors Lakes Junior School students who have successfully completed the Premiers Reading Challenge. Your certificates will be coming in Term 4.

1E Kate Hobbs
2L Jeyan Hasan
   Aaron Lyons
   Talia Nadarajah
   Julia Nastasi
   Jonathan Nicolo
   Timothy Smith
   Alex Thomas
   Maddison Thompson

2M Kayla Rose Camilleri
   Jacob Di Berardino
   Aaron Finlay
   Angelina Iliakos
   Calista Loludice
   Rohan Narayan
   Emily Nguyen
   Claudia Petreski
   Ella Samuel

2R Alyssa Bakarnis
   Jonathon Cowell
   Eliza Coyne
   Jeyda Hasan
   Jordan Hudson
   Claudia Magliozi
   Hanifi Mustafa
   Jaskaran Singh
   Charlee Turner
   Lucia Yang

3AC Mary Ajaimy
   Chantelle Borg
   Liam Cole
   Hayley Craggill
   Madison Deoki
   Jason Hoang
   Jessica Legrand
   Rochelle Saad
   Purnima Seetapathy

3M Elena Christodoulides
   Rachel Grimaud
   Hannah Joyce
   Joshua Termelovski
   Liam Zacharias

FUNDAMENTAL MOTOR SKILLS ASSESSMENTS
Physical Education (PE) students from Victoria University (VU) have visited the College over the past two weeks to work with our students. Each class from Prep to Year 7 took part in games and activities, with an emphasis on students practicing their Fundamental Motor Skills.

The eleven Fundamental Motor Skills (FMS) are; run, leap, vertical jump, dodge, ball bounce, catch, kick, punt, forehand strike, overarm throw, two-hand side-arm strike. Research has shown that the ability for children to master these skills has an significant influence on their levels of participation in physical activity and their health and fitness.

The VU students used the opportunity to plan and prepare games to help students learn and gain experience in assessing the FMS of groups of students. They will then use the results of a tests as part of an assignment looking at the abilities of groups of students to participate in physical activity, in different year levels. The Physical Education Faculty will use the data collected to inform our teaching practices.
TERM 3
The staff in the Middle School would like to wish all families a safe and relaxing break. We trust that the children can recharge their batteries during the holidays ready for an exciting and busy Term 4. We look forward to continuing to work closely in partnership with families during the remainder of the year and beyond.

Term 4 begins on Monday October 10th which is a Week 2 of the College calendar. During the first week back on Wednesday 12th October will be Presentation Night at the Melbourne Convention Centre commencing at 7:30.

CYBERSMART PROGRAM
Cyber safety was a focus in our recent Middle School Assembly. On the cusp of holidays, it is a good idea to revisit cyber safety and keep these issues front of mind for families. The Cybersmart program is a national cybersafety education program managed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA), as part of the Australian Government’s commitment to promoting online safety for children and young people. The Cybersmart program enables children, parents, carers, teachers and others to manage online risks, so their experiences are safe and positive.

The Cybersmart program aims to:

- Inform children, parents, teachers and library staff about cybersafety issues
- Educate audiences through information, resources and practical advice
- Empower children to be safe online.

The Cybersmart program includes:
- A comprehensive range of information and resources designed to meet the needs of children, parents, teachers, and others. All resources are provided free of charge in Australia.
- Funding for Kids Helpline to provide an online helpline service to young people who have experienced issues online.

The Cybersafety Contact Centre—a national telephone centre providing online safety information, advice and access to resources for all Australians.

The ACMA’s Cyber smart website is home to all its cybersafety resources, research and activities. Cybersmart features news, resources and information about current cybersafety issues and provides practical advice about how to deal with them. Cybersmart posters have been placed in the Middle School bulletin board and in the administration area. There are also pamphlets in the administration area that maybe copied on request.

Tim Mahon

Congratulations to the following students from Taylors Lakes Campus who recently completed the Premiers Reading Challenge.

Year 6
Isaac Mayne
Natalie Fewster
Kobi West
Eleni Mitris
Olivia Winton
Brittany Tan
Rajath Sindia
Rixon Wong
Joyce Makhlouta
Jacob Rice
Mehtaab Singh
Olivia Bogye
Jarrod Iacovou
James Savvidis
Ivan Mandic
Trent Cousins
Mariana Djordjievich
Thomas Krajina
Jullian Hansma

Year 5
Levent Burke
Nicholas Costa
Cindy Ngo
Lachlan Baker
Katerina Chritodoulou
Briana Zahra
Aydan Ali
Jeremy BinuVarkey
Jye Craggill
Denisha DaRuz
William Farrow
Kerim Hasan
 Alec Psychogios
Aleesha Samuel
Kristina Theodossiou
Lauren Thompson
Matthew Van Der Burgt

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
Last Saturday afternoon Anthony Moon of Year 9 Purple won his first basketball premiership in the Under 16 B Grade Grand Final domestic competition. Anthony has been playing basketball since he was 8 years of age with Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club. Over the years he has played in many, many grand final games but was always the runner-up, so this was a great thrill for Anthony. There was more to come, however.

Anthony went on to play in the Representative Keilor Thunder Under 16 North West Regional Division 1 Basketball Grand Final on Saturday night against Altona. Keilor Thunder won the premiership after a hard fought game. The final score was 45 to 40. At the conclusion of the match Anthony received the ‘Most Valuable Player’ award! Congratulations from all at Canowindra.

NATIONAL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS
Congratulations to Shannon Bain of Year 6 for achieving outstanding results at the National Athletics Championships which are being held in Darwin this week. Shannon placed 4th in shot put (11.49m) and 9th in discus (33.47m). Shannon narrowly missed finishing in top 8 for discus as another competitor’s throw was wrongly recorded (35m not 25m).

A REGISTER OF GREAT SPORTING ACHIEVERS
Within the College Community, past and present, there are a number of high achievers in a wide range of sports. The ACS maintains a sporting Hall of Fame that includes students from participant schools. There are a number of current and past Overnewton students whose achievements are worthy of being added to this list. We too maintain a list of such students, on the College register of achievements, with the view of adding our students to the ACS Hall of Fame. Hence, I would be pleased if any information of past or current students’ notable sporting achievements were passed on by email, letter or fax, or by telephoning me at the College prior to Monday 31st October. Certainly, any student who has reached state level in their sport should be included in the College’s own register, which was started in 2005. A celebration of the 2011 achievements will be recognised at our College Sports Awards evening on 14th November.

BASKETBALL RESULTS
UNDER 12 (2) BOYS (Overnewton 2)
The Overnewton 2 under 12 boys basketball team competed in the most thrilling game of the season, the Grand Final on Saturday morning. With both teams very evenly matched, Overnewton got off to a great start and were ahead by 4 points at half time. The second half had everyone on the edge of their seats, with both teams scoring goal for goal and Overnewton winning by 1 point.

Congratulations to Levent Burke, Darcy Cassar, Nicholas Costa, Sean Griffiths, Thomas Guljas, Bailey Hunt, Mason Markovski, Ben Vella and coach Michael Vella for a fantastic effort and a brilliant season.

Final scores: Overnewton 2, 25 def St Christophers 4 , 25.

VIEW THE CALENDAR ON THE OVERNEWTON WEBSITE
Our College Calendar is always available to view on our College Website.
Visit www.overnewton.vic.edu.au, enter the website, select Calendar from the banner at the top, click on 2011 College Calendar on the page and view the year term by term. Term dates are also available for you to view.
We hope all families will find this a convenient way to view important dates in the life of the College.
Critical Reading: Directing Children's Judgment

One of the ways in which young adults develop themselves is in powers of critical reading—an intelligent, active, discerning approach to what they read. They form, on purpose, a habit of asking certain questions about written material. Broadly speaking, they are searching for the truth and are querying the mind and motivations and trustworthiness of each author they are engaged with.

Here are some of their critical questions:

° Who is this person who's speaking (writing) to me?
° What does this person want from me? What am I expected to believe, or do, or buy?
° Are this person's principles the same as mine? Do we share the same values? Is he or she materialistic? How can I tell?
° When a statement is made, what is the factual basis for it? How do we know that it is true, or at least a reasonable conclusion? Are we dealing here with facts or with assumptions—and if assumptions, how reasonable are they?
° How does the questionable statement square with what I have been taught by my parents and other adults whom I respect?

Newspapers & Magazines—Questions to ask

° Why does article appear where it does - front page, inside, on side bar? Is it reasonably "important"? To whom, and why?

People generally assume, but often mistakenly, that the most important articles appear on the front page and less important ones inside; also that less important articles are shorter. But who decides this, and on what basis? Is it possible that really important stories could be tucked away inside? Note that when Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand was assassinated in June 1914 (the trigger for World War I), not one American paper covered the story on its front page.

° Who wrote the article?

Pay attention to "by-line." What is the name of the reporter who wrote this story? (Most people ignore this.) It's a key to establishing a personal relationship with the written word, which is the basis for critical reading. Is this person a staff writer or foreign correspondent or area specialist (e.g. "business editor," "religion writer")? Note that specialists and foreign correspondents have more leeway to editorialize, to rely on opinion and generalizations, not just recitation of facts. Often some highly experienced "staff writers" can and will insert opinion, and their stories are often (but not always) labeled "news analysis."
Is the article "straight news" or a "feature" story?

A feature story is a fairly lengthy, and often interesting and valuable, study of some topic. Usually it is not time-sensitive; that is, it could appear almost anytime in a given week or month. By its nature it involves generalizations, opinions, and critical analysis along with supporting facts. Features often appear on Sundays and Mondays because the weekend usually produces fewer news stories to report; this is because most government and other offices, often the sources for many news stories, are closed. Also note that some specialized reporters—business, foreign correspondent, religion, etc.—have some leeway to include opinions and generalizations in stories.

Which statements are facts and which are assumptions/opinions/allegations?

Pay close attention to factual detail. But also note the sources for what's said. Who, specifically, is stating or alleging what's purported to be factually true—police or other government officials, participants or lawyers in a court action, eyewitnesses, specialists interviewed for their comments? Who's doing the talking? Is there potential built-in bias? Are sources named or anonymous—and, if anonymous, why don't they want their names used? Pay attention also to important qualifying terms: "alleged," "reported," "supposed," "estimated," "up to...," "as much as..." (That is, who is doing the alleging or reporting or supposing? Who is making the estimates?)

Does the headline accurately match the facts of the article?

Headlines are usually written by an editor, not the reporter who wrote the story, and under considerable time-pressures. Also, headline writers must fit headlines into restricted space. Consequently, though most headlines are accurate and fit the facts of a story, some are not. They can be misleading to someone who does not read the article carefully.

If the subject of the story is controversial, are both sides evenly presented/quoted?

Professional reporters really do try to balance arguments, presenting quotes from both sides and calling people (sometimes unsuccessfully) to get their statements. But some news stories are cut short by editors for space reasons, and consequently one side's explanations may be curtailed. This can result in an unbalanced treatment.

If statistics are used, what are their sources?

Pay close attention here. Statistics often come from government sources, which are usually fair and reasonably reliable. But some stats and polls are put out by organizations or pressure groups that are trying to advance their position. Treat these with some skepticism. Is there potential bias? Do figures sound right, make sense?

If there are follow-up stories later, do they alter initial statement/allegations? Also, look through the "corrections" column.

The time-pressures for putting out a publication sometimes result in inaccurate or unbalanced reportage. Often, a story published next day will clarify matters, or the paper's corrections column will itemize factual errors. Form a habit of reading this column—which sometimes reveals serious mistakes in the original story. Also look through the letters-to-the-editor section for replies to a story's allegations. People who have a grievance about a story (who complain, for instance, about inaccuracies or what they see as unfair treatment) are commonly invited to write an explanatory letter for publication. So, if you want to follow both sides of a controversy issue, read these letters.

Source: James B. Stenson
parentleadership.com

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Are your expectations harmful or healthy?
There is no doubt that many parents underestimate the impact of their expectations on kids. It’s quite natural to want your kids to do and perform at their best, however not every child will respond positively to parent expectations.

If they are too high, or at least higher than their capability, then many kids just give up. It’s better to try and fail, which can seem like letting down their parents. Alternatively, they may make excuses for not taking part in an activity, game or sport.

Some children will try to meet abnormally high parent expectations, but their efforts may well come at the cost of anxiety and, in some cases, depression due to excessive pressure. It’s hard to always perform at your absolute best all the time. In fact, high achievers in most fields of endeavour know when to coast and when they really need to apply themselves.

Birth order also plays a part in parental expectations. As adult approval is a high driver for eldests, they are more highly influenced by parent expectations than children in any other position. They are also more likely to be perfectionists, which makes them more prone to suffer when parental expectations are excessive. Many first borns become risk-averse sticking to the safe and achievable, which is a great stress-reduction strategy.

Expectations are most helpful when they are realistic and in line with children’s age, abilities and their interests. Sometimes we can expect just too much from our kids, for all the right reasons.

Better to have positive, yet achievable expectations rather than expectations that are too high or too low. Getting the balance right will hopefully motivate kids to achieve without them feeling overwhelmed, worried or overly-anxious.

Ideally, all kids will be self-motivated, not needing adults to lead the way. As human nature suggests many kids need a push to reach a little higher. We just need to make sure that the push is not excessive, and the end result is worth pursuing.

How do you use expectations?
So how do your expectations of kids’ behaviour and achievement rate? Are they too low, too high or just about right? Do they reflect your own ambitions, or your children’s interests and abilities?

Want a simple answer? Ask yourself how your kids would answer these questions. I suspect it will be different for each child, but then again worry, stress and anxiety is different for every child. And it’s what your child thinks and feels that’s paramount here.
CLASSROOM ASSISTANCE

Classroom Assistance positions for both Keilor and Taylors Lakes Campuses will be advertised through the Whispers on a weekly basis. Most positions require a regular weekly commitment for the whole year, although in specific cases you may be able to alternate with another parent or join a roster. You are invited to apply for any position, even if your child is at another campus or different year level. Please note that the person you will be telephoning is a parent fulfilling their Family Contribution Scheme commitment, so please do not phone before 7.15am or after 9.00pm. Younger siblings or sick children cannot accompany parents whilst on duty. A blue Classroom Assistance folder is kept at the Front Office at each campus to record your hours.

Recording Hours
A reminder to parents that it is your responsibility to record your own hours for classroom assistance and excursions in the folder at the front office labelled Classroom Assistance. Please ensure you write legibly and include details of your child, including the surname if you have a different name to your child, and your home telephone number. These hours are collated at the end of each term.

Working with Children Check (WWCC)
It is a Victorian Government requirement that all adults working with children have a current Working with Children Check. Please ensure you have your card number or Post Office Receipt number when you phone to register your name.

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Mimma Beazley 9390 7516 mimma.beazley@internode.on.net

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Wendy Weeks 9331 7750 wendyweeks@live.com.au

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**WALKING SCHOOL BUS**

**KEILOR CAMPUS**

Help to relieve the congestion at the College and join the walking school bus today. We have vacancies for both student walkers and parent helpers (Bus Drivers). Parent assistance will be allocated to the Family Contribution Scheme.

For all enquiries please contact Judith Osbon on 0427 033 411 or email judith.osbon@bigpond.com

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READ WHISPERS ONLINE AT: www.overnewton.vic.edu.au/whispers
The College Shop is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday every week during term. Please note: the College Shop is not open during school holidays unless advertised in Whispers.

OPENING HOURS
Tuesday 8.15am - 4.30pm
Wednesday 8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday 8.15am - 4.30pm

SATURDAY TRADING FOR 2011
Term 4
15th October 9 – 1pm
3rd December 9 – 1pm

SECOND HAND SALES
Please note when purchasing second hand uniforms, they must be paid for by Cash Only. Choose well as there is no exchange on second hand items. If you are wishing to drop off items for sale in the second hand section, these items must be handed to Miranda Turner. At no time are they to be left at reception or the front door of the College Shop. All items must be clearly marked with name, address and telephone number, otherwise goods will not be accepted. Blazers MUST be dry-cleaned with the dry cleaning tag displayed and all other items must be washed. We do not accept hats or any items of clothing with holes or stains of any kind (such as paint). We will hold items for sale for a period of 12 months only. At the end of that 12 month period, if they have not been sold, we ask that you collect your items from the College Shop. If not collected, your items of clothing are then donated to the orphanage in Zambia.

EXCHANGE & REFUNDS
While we are happy to exchange, you will need to keep your receipt to do so. All exchanges and refunds will only be accepted in the term of purchase.

ZIP REPAIRS
Bags requiring zip repairs can be dropped off at the College Shop the last Thursday of the term before 11am. A notice will be in Whispers with regards to the date for 4th term. We ask that you clearly mark your child's bag with their name and phone number contact and ensure the bags are clean. These bags are then ready for collection on the first Tuesday of the new term.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate contact Miranda Turner on 9334 0112.

Miranda Turner
College Uniform Shop
Direct to Shop 9334 0112

VACANCY MOTHERS DAY/ FATHERS DAY STALL CO-ORDINATOR
KEILOR CAMPUS

The position may be shared!

This position is to commence in Term 1 2012, with a handover fourth term this year and plenty of on going assistance from the current co-ordinator throughout the next year. The co-ordinators duties include sourcing goods for the stalls, advertising for parent assistance, set up of stalls and supervising the day of the stalls. Applicants must be available the afternoon prior to the stalls for set up and on the day of the stalls.

This position will fulfill your commitment to the Family Contribution Scheme.

Contact: Dean Dannock for more information and a full position description, or to apply.
Mobile: 0400 633 085 or email applications to dean.dannock@spotless.com.au
Applications Close 23rd September, 2011

Interested parents’ are very welcome to attend/help out at this year's Fathers Day Stall on Friday September 2nd.

Current co-ordinator Cathy will be at the stall all day to answer any queries regarding the position and would love to meet parents who may wish to apply for the role.

Position Available

Parent help is required to assist with light duties tidying up the staffroom kitchen and meeting room at Middle School, Taylors Lakes Campus.

When:
Every Tuesday or Wednesday
Anytime that suits during school hours
Approx. 1.5 hours per week

Please contact
Lisa Gouder
Office Assistance Co-ordinator
Taylors Lakes Campus
MOBILE: 0418 511 687

RACING DAY
Sunday 23rd October

Senior School Parent Support Group are organising a day at the races.

All Inclusive
Drinks and finger food for the bus journey

On Arrival
3 course lunch
Admission
Race book
Reserved Table and seating with full glass frontage overlooking the course and surrounding bushland
Tote facilities
Cash bar

On the day there will also be:
Fashions on the field - register on the day
Live music
Harness racing
Pony rides

Raffle Competitions
prizes to be Won for best outfit
BE IMAGINATIVE
Race wear - Don't forget your Fascinators

Cost $85.00 per person
Please R.S.V.P. and PAY BY 12TH SEPTEMBER
Contact: Carmel Apap 0407 241 349 or
Tracey Hocking 0419 382 658

READ WHISPERS ONLINE AT: www.overnewton.vic.edu.au/whispers
FOOTY DAY
TAYLORS LAKES CAMPUS
Middle School
Thursday
22nd September

‘Footy Food’ forms and money should have been returned by 13th September, 2011
FOOTY JUMPERS, SCARVES (AND HATS), CAN BE WORN OVER COLLEGE UNIFORM.

Organised by Taylors Lakes Campus
Middle School Parent Support Team (PST)

Interested in completing your Family Contribution Scheme
hours outside of working hours?

With minimum groups of 4, you would be responsible for
cleaning the Taylors Lakes Campus new Gymnasium.

!!! Helpers Wanted !!!
Floor Cleaning Working Group at new Taylors Lakes Campus Gym

Cleaning is approx 2 hours rostered work to be completed on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

All cleaning equipment provided.

Sunday is now available too!
Give it a go!!

Enquiries to:
Effie Pensa,
Gymnasium Cleaning Co-ordinator
0414 566 382 (mobile)
thinkpensa@gmail.com (email)

OVERNEWTON PARENTS & FRIENDS
BUSINESS & SERVICES DIRECTORY

Support the Overnewton Community and always consult the Parents and Friends Business and Services Directory!

Mary Kay representatives come to you and can provide make-up advice for special occasions, and much more. Contact Sally Barsoum on 0409 544 305 or Lina Obien 0411 094 711 for further information or see page 26 of the 2011-2012 Parents & Friends Services Directory for further information. Special offer available to the Overnewton Community.

This Parents & Friends Services Directory is now available on line - Check it out by visiting www.overnewton.vic.edu.au, click on the photo of Our Community and select the P&F Directory. You can then download this directory or view other publications.

For an additional paper copy please contact Janine Hilton 9334 0104.

MUSIC LESSONS
Instrumental Lessons for Term 4, 2011

Private instrumental lessons are now being finalised and timetabled for Term 4, 2011. If you would like to commence private instrumental lessons, or if you are choosing not to continue with private instrumental lessons after Term 3, please advise Tania Riotto in writing or by email to tania.riotto@overnewton.vic.edu.au before Friday, 23rd September 2011.

For students wanting to enrol in private instrumental lessons there are a limited places available and some instruments do have a waiting list. When a position becomes available for these instruments parents will be contacted.

Any student currently enrolled in private instrumental lessons that do not put their intention to discontinue lessons for Term 4, 2011 in writing to Tania Riotto before Friday, 23rd September 2011 will be considered to be continuing and invoiced accordingly.

Please note:
Students must commit to learning an instrument for the full term and lessons that are discontinued once the term has begun are not refundable.

If you would like any further information on private instrumental music, please contact Tania Riotto via email and she will respond to you accordingly.

Hire Instruments

Could all instruments currently being hired that will no longer be required going forward please be returned to Tania Riotto before the end of the school term – Friday, 23rd September 2011. Any instrument returned after this date will continue to be charged in Term 3, 2011.

Footy Day
At Junior School, Taylors Lakes Campus
on
Friday 23rd September 2011
Dress up in your favourite footy team colours.

Students can place an order of 1 pie or 1 sausage roll and pop top drink for lunch. Order forms will be sent home.

From the Parent Support Team
Taylors Lakes Campus
STUFFED TOYS

Are you sick of seeing those large oversized stuffed toys lying around your home?

Here's your chance to get rid of them!! Whether it's Homer Simpson, The Red Devil or perhaps that large oversized puppy with the big brown eyes, we will be more than happy to take them off your hands – be rest assured that they will go to a good home!!

We urgently require your help with the donation of new and pre-loved children's large and small stuffed toys, the kind you would find at Moomba or the show if you were lucky enough to have won one!!

Stuffed toys with stains or tears will not be accepted.

We are bringing back to Student Street the “stomp a balloon’’ stall, and we are seeking your kind donations to be on display and won by the winning tickets found in the balloons.

Donations can be made by contacting Olga Forsythe to arrange for collection or pick up on 0402 035 428 or can be donated on the following collection dates at the Taylors Lakes Campus Shed.

Saturday 10th September 9:30 – 12pm
Saturday 24th September 9:30 – 12pm
Saturday 8th October 9:30 – 12pm

STUDENT STREET – HELP NEEDED

Come and visit “Student Street” at this years Fair. It is jam packed with activities for the kids – face painting, nail art, tattoos, beading, painting, fairy floss, popcorn, sno-kones, balloon stomping, jaffa smasha, handball footy, and so much more! Awesome prizes to be won!

This is by far the coolest place for the young (and the young at heart) to be at the fair.

To ensure Student Street’s success, we require volunteers to help out on the day with running some of the activities. All hours worked will be allocated to the Family Contribution Scheme in Term 4 (or Term 1, 2012).

Please contact me ASAP if you are able to assist on the day and we hope to see you there! There is also the setting up on the Friday night and packing up on the Saturday straight after the Fair – if you are able to also assist with this please let me know.

Thank you

Olga Forsythe
Student Street Co-ordinator
Mobile: 0402 035 428

Trash ‘n’ Treasure Collection Day

Collection day for donations of goods for the Trash ‘n’ Treasure, Student Street And Books Stall for the Overnewton Country Fair will be held on:

Saturday 24th September 9:30 – 12pm
Saturday 8th October 9:30 – 12pm
Saturday 22nd October 9:30 – 12pm
Saturday 29th October 9:30 – 12pm

Please bring any donations to the huge shed at the TAYLORS LAKES CAMPUS (you can see it from the car park).

For any queries, please contact:
Claire Moore 0413 997 289

** Unfortunately, we are unable to accept electrical items, mattresses, clothes or lounge suites **

…….URGENTLY NEEDED…..

ASYAN FOOD STALL HOLDER

NEED HOURS?? WANT TO DO SOMETHING FUN??
WHY NOT JOIN OUR COUNTRY FAIR TEAM!!

The Country Fair is a great annual fundraising event that would not be possible without the help and generosity of our community.

Currently we have a vacancy to join our fabulous Food Hall team. We require a stall holder for our very popular Asian Food Stall.

As the stall holder, you would be working as part of the food hall team. You would be required to attend meetings in Term 3 and Term 4, assist in sourcing the food items for your stall, help with setting-up on Friday night, as well as cook, manage and run the stall on Saturday. In return you will receive all your hours for Term 3 and Term 4 2011.

For more information please call
Shane Lalor: 0419 300 043

HELP US PLEASE!!

INCLUDE HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER

When recording hours contributed toward the Family Contribution Scheme

please write your home telephone number (NOT mobile number)

as this will assist us to ensure your hours are allocated correctly.
**ENTertainers**

Student and parent entertainers invited for the 2011 Country Fair to be held on the afternoon of **Saturday 5th November** at Taylors lakes Campus.

All forms of entertainment including singers, dancers, musicians, magicians etc are welcome.

Please call Beth Allen on 0411 409 685

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The WWC Check is free for volunteers and will provide an ongoing monitoring of those who hold a WWC Check Card. Cards will be valid for a period of five years after which time you will need to reapply.

Application forms are available at both Keilor and Taylors Lakes reception and also at Australia Post participating outlet (those that accept passport applications)

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 9334 0140 if you have any questions or alternatively you can contact the WWC Check Information Line on 1300 652 870.

Shirley Seif, Head of Community Development. 9334 0140 / shirley.seif@overnewton.vic.edu.au

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**Whispers Distribution via email**

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Cakes, biscuits, muffins, slices, savouries, whatever your baking specialty may be, would be great for our stall.

All contributions are allocated towards the Family Contribution Scheme.

For expressions of interest please contact

Kalli Lontos: HOME: 9390 8276 or MOBILE: 0419 371 391
Email: kalli@adec.org.au
or
Rosie Smarrelli: HOME: 9336 7256 or MOBILE: 0418 512 029,
EMAIL: rosie@metrobodycorp.com.au
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Thank you

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**HOME MADE CAKES AND SWEETS STALL**

Overnewton Country Fair 2011

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Can you spare at least one item or more from your collection of children’s music, pop, classical, gospel, country, new age, alternative, jazz etc.

What do you do with your donation?

Please leave your donation marked “music shack” and leave it at the front office of your campus.

If you have a larger donation and require collection please contact

Nada Phillipou 0407 234 707

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**CounTRy FAiR 2011**

**CHRiSTMAS AND GIFT HAMPERs STALL**

Are you employed full time and finding it hard to contribute your hours? Look no further, we have the answer!

The Christmas and Gift Hamper Team, are looking for expressions of interest from anyone who would like to take advantage of a fantastic way to contribute their hours from home.

Newcomers welcome!!

For all enquiries please call:
Danielle 0425 854 028 or Maria 0412 416 715 between 6pm and 8 pm (Mon - Fri)

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