



# Heatherwood School

MAY 2016



## A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MR PAUL HILLS

I have really appreciated the responses I am receiving from the school community regarding the building grant allocated to Heatherwood for refurbishment and replacement of teaching facilities. While the grant has stringent guidelines that need to be followed there may be some opportunities to create additional or different learning spaces to enhance or support new teaching and learning initiatives.. There is a strict timeline so please if you have any ideas or suggestions let me know. I need to receive any suggestions by *Monday 30th May*.

My email address is:

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In addition to the building grant the school has had plans drawn up to extend the Performing Arts and the Visual Arts areas. This will support the use of a stage and the development of other technical skills associated with the Performing Arts and may allow for the development of a Visual Arts studio for specific art themes.

These are two examples of how, with the support and involvement of the school community, Heatherwood will continue to strive to present challenging and enriching learning opportunities for its students.

Thank you for your ongoing involvement and support.

**Paul Hills**  
**Principal**

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DATE	EVENT
June 3rd	Curriculum Day NO STUDENTS TO ATTEND
June 6th-9th	Year 7 Phillip Island Camp
June 13th	Queen's Birthday NO STUDENTS TO ATTEND
<b>JUNE 24TH</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 2 STUDENTS DISMISSED AT 1:50</b>
<b>JULY 11TH</b>	<b>TERM 3 COMMENCES</b>

## OFFICE REMINDER

Parents and carers please remember if you wish to speak to a teacher your first point of contact is with the office. Office staff will contact your requested teacher. If they are unavailable office staff will gladly take a message.

Parents and carers please remind your young person NOT to share food with other students due to health and safety reasons.

## SENIOR SCHOOL

Students in S6 have been working on self expression pieces of writing this term. Below are some of the student's work.

### *My Friend*

*My friend Kate is kind because she helps me out, looks out for me and listens to me every time I feel down or stressed. Kate gives me good advice. On a Friday Kate comes down and helps out with interschool basketball. Kate helps by coaching us and cheering us on. On a Thursday night, Kate plays basketball at the disc. I believe Kate is a really good player because she loves playing. Kate is patient when teaching the girls basketball team drills and skills on how to play basketball and defend. I think Kate does a really good job at teaching us basketball skills. On a Friday afternoon Kate gets us to practice our shooting from the key line. The girl's basketball team find it OK but Kate show us that the middle finger should be the last one to touch the ball and should still be up when the ball goes in.*

**Chloe S6**

### *My Bedroom*

*I have an uncomfortable bed. My room is a good size. Me and my brother play games in my room and my brother's room. I have a computer in my room, a toolbox and an old broken down computer.*

*My room is dark white, it has a pull down blind with a chain. It has a black office chair that I use when I'm playing on the computer.*

*I have a little book shelf with a TV on it. I watch the news in my room.*

*I like spending time in my room.*

**Jade-Rayne S6**

### *My Dream Bedroom*

*My dream bedroom would be big and the walls would be pink and orange.*

*I would have a walk-in closet. It would have shelves for my shoes, drawers for my clothes and a white make up*

## HORTICULTURE

Students have been busy harvesting raspberries, rhubarb, bok choy and lettuces for use in the kitchens. They have also enjoyed tasting them straight of the canes. New raised garden beds have been made and two compost bins installed in the one near the compost area. This will stop vermin from eating the food scraps. The cabbages, cauliflowers and broccoli in the wooden boxes are growing well and will be ready to harvest towards the end of the term or early term 3. Some of this produce will be given to Doncare to assist their program.

**Max Moyle**

**Horticulture**

*vanity.*

*It would have a pink mini fridge with soft drink and unhealthy snacks like chocolate.*

*My bed would be a queen size because I like to spread out and the sheets would be orange. There would be a lot of silky pillows and a soft fluffy blanket.*

*I would have a karaoke machine and a dance floor with a disco ball. A large flat screen TV with lots of DVD's.*

*In my bathroom there will be a big bathtub because I like taking baths with big bubbles. It's relaxing.*

**Emma S6**

### *Pa*

*I went to see my Pa with mum in hospital before he died. On Thursday it was his funeral. Motorbikes came in with the car. I was in tears when I saw the motorbikes. We looked at some photos of him when he was young. It was so nice to see wonderful photos of him and we put roses on his grave. It was so great to see how wonderful people put in lot of effort into the funeral by reading poems and saying good bye.*

*I remembered all the times we had with each other. It was so nice to see him every day smile into my eyes, it made me feel good inside. You're not in pain anymore and I know you're up in heaven safe. I miss your hugs and kisses. The last words he said to me was, "I love you little one, be safe look after yourself and take care."*

*I loved that smile you gave me, it was so beautiful to see you happy when I came to see you. I miss talking to you on the phone. You listened to me a lot and helped me. But now I know that an angel sent you up to heaven and I know everything is going to be OK. When the sun shines down on me I know you're OK because you are smiling down at me saying keep strong little one I will be looking down helping you out forever. We were close, like two peas in a pod. It felt like I lost a friend and a pa at the sometime. You will always be in my heart.*

**Bonnie S6**

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - LESLEY FOSTER

**Doncaster Secondary School - ADVANCE Program**

Over the last 4 weeks, 13 students have been working with Heatherwood Students every Wednesday. They have assisted in Junior, Middle and Senior Classrooms as well as Visual Art, Performing Art, Bike Education and Homecrafts working alongside our students and getting to know our school. This program is very popular with Heatherwood students and staff and provides a great opportunity for students to share ideas and relate to students of the same age from a different school. This program has been in place for more than 10 years and provides many advantages for the Heatherwood and Doncaster students. Next term a new group of students from Doncaster Secondary College will work with our students.

### *Lunchtime Programs*

Recess and Lunch are very important for students. At this time, students make friends, establish and

maintain relationships. Breaktimes can be challenging for some students who may feel uncomfortable at times in the yard. For this reason, the school has established a range of Lunchtime activities. Staff supervise these activities which include, Computers, Library, Glee Club, Girls Groove Dancing, Gym Workout, Movie Club, Games. These clubs provide choices for students who wish to choose alternative programs. At Heatherwood we see students in the passive garden, chatting quietly with each other, groups of students vigorously playing down-ball, others kicking football on the oval, a group playing basketball on the courts and others having fun by running and chasing. We realise the importance of developing relationships and the freedom to make choices.

**Lesley Foster**

**Ass. Principal**

## STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

### *FUNDRAISING FOR JUVENILE DIABETES*

Thank you to everyone that helped make our Juvenile Diabetes fundraiser a successful one! Thank you to Mr. Morris for organizing speakers to come out on Friday May 13th to speak at section assemblies. We even had a visit from a full size jelly baby! Staff from Juvenile diabetes, gave students badges, balloons and tattoos and congratulated students on their efforts!

### *TREE TALK*

On Friday 20th May Heatherwood Teacher, Kirk Gunn addressed the SRC students and asked for their opinions on plans he would like the Facilities Committee to implement around Heatherwood school. The students were shown a map of school areas where trees could be planted that would provide shade. The students involved had many good suggestions and ideas and appreciated Kirk giving up his time to talk to and involve SRC in decision making.

### *FRIDAY LIBRARY LUNCH BUDDIES*

SRC students have invited Year 7 and 8 students to be part of a buddy program in the Library at lunchtime on Fridays. The SRC students buddy up with Junior students and play games, do drawings and make

Lego creations. It is an enjoyable time for all students! Thanks to Junior section for their support and Mr. David Gall for his assistance with this program!

**Lynda DenElzen**

**Heatherwood S.R.C.**



L-R: Braham Morris,(AP), Jasper the Jellybean, Julie Lamb and Simone Flanagan

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

It's been a busy and productive month in the Junior School. In Humanities the Year 7s have been exploring Indigenous Australian culture while the Year 8s have been stepping back in time to look at ancient civilisations.

Science has been full of exploration and experimentation with the Year 7s making an icky snot creation as part of their solutions and mixtures studies. The year 8s have done lots of hands on work with rockets, dominoes and golf balls while investigating different forms of energy.

Fridays Rec activities have been an excellent way to celebrate a week of good work by mixing with different students and teachers for some fun activities. So far this term the Year 7s and 8s have had the opportunity to rotate through 5 activities, including: football,



bushwalking, ball games in the gym, yoga and clay-based art.

As the weather has started to cool, it's a good time to remember the wide range of alternative programs offered at lunchtimes for students needing a break from being outside in the yard. Some

of the activities on offer include a 'Girls Groove' group, movie club and drawing club. The library and computer pod are also open most days as another quiet option.

In other news, the Year 7s are getting excited about their upcoming camp to Phillip Island where they'll get to see some penguins and visit Wilson's Prom National Park. Should be great!

Keep up the good work, Junior School!

## TRADE KITCHEN

The following students have received 'Chef of the Day' in Weeks 3-6



*Chloe Muller-S4*  
*Lily Worrall-M7*  
*Elly Hudson-M7*  
*Rebecca Hitchens-M6*  
*Rachel Trussler-S4*  
*Tyler Bartley-S7*  
*Jessica McKnight-M8*  
*Jake Briscoe-M6*  
*Zahariah Seal-M8*  
*Jessica Galvin-M6*  
*Dylan Wassink-S5*  
*Brandon Matthews-M8*  
*Jake Booth S7*



*Gemma Clements*  
*Trade Kitchen*

*Inclusive Music Theatre Incorporated presents:*

# BROADWAY'S the WORD



*Highlights include songs from Zootopia, Beauty & the Beast, Scrooge and Grease*

**Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm**

At

**Knox Community Arts Centre**  
Cnr Mountain Highway & Scoresby Rd  
Bayswater Melways 64 G 3

**TICKETS and ENQUIRIES**

All concession at \$20

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## **CENTRELINK INFORMATION SESSION**

When your child reaches the age of 16 years they are entitled to receive the  
**'Disability Support Pension'**

With the possibility of receiving additional allowances/supplements.

We have invited Mirko Oklobdzija who is a financial Services Officer from Centrelink to provide information about carer/disability income support payments. He will also provide information about the Special Disability Trust.

All parents of students about to turn 16 are welcome to come along to hear from Mirko who will provide information about the following and if time permits he will answer individual queries.

- Disability Support Pension
- Mobility Allowance
- Pensioner Education Supplement
- Special Disability Support Trust

**When:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June

**Where:** Heatherwood School Library

**Time:** 1.30 – 2.45pm