Principal’s Report

World’s Greatest Shave for a Cure

On Friday 3rd April, two students and one teacher from Rutherglen High School cut off their hair to demonstrate their commitment and raise much needed funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. The students were Sallie Hanlon from Chiltern and Vanessa Campbell from Rutherglen and the teacher was Mick Dow from Springhurst.

Sallie and Vanessa raised in excess of $2900. With the money raised by Mick and from an out of uniform day at school, the total was in excess of $3500. Everyone involved would like to pass on a huge thank you to their friends and family for all the support and to everyone who made a donation.

All of the money raised was donated to the Leukaemia Foundation for research and financial assistance for patients. As well as the money raised, Sallie, Vanessa and Mick all donated the cut-off hair to the foundation to be used in making wigs for leukaemia sufferers.

Music Workshops

On Tuesday, Year 7 students had the opportunity to participate in music workshops with a group of musicians called Mosaic. Bandika Ngo conducted percussion workshops based on the traditional rhythms of east Africa and Judy Campbell conducted vocal workshops centred on practical techniques for singing in a group.

Our Music department has opportunities for students to learn a musical instrument and play in bands or groups. If you are interested, please contact our Music teacher and Coordinator Peter Scott on 02 6032 9483 for details.

PT&CA Dinner Meeting

PT&CA are planning on a dinner meeting to be held at the Thai Restaurant in Chiltern on Thursday 30th April. The restaurant does not normally open on a Thursday but will do so if we have a large enough group. Please contact the General Office to register your interest so we can confirm numbers by Monday 27th April. I hope to see many of you for what should be a good evening.
To students, staff and parents at schools across Victoria,

A big thank you from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund, to all of the school communities who so generously came together to raise almost $1 million to support the victims of the bushfires.

Your efforts through casual dress day, gold coin donations and other fundraising events have made a major contribution to the Appeal Fund.

This funding is already helping thousands of individuals and families whose homes have been lost or damaged, who have lost loved ones, have been severely injured, or who need assistance with getting back to work.

Along with my colleagues on the independent advisory panel overseeing the allocation of these funds, further decisions are being made about how these funds will assist affected communities in the medium and longer term.

The Panel will ensure that your money gets to those who need it, when they need it.

If you have queries in the future about how your kind donations are being used to help you can visit www.dhs/bushfireappeal

Yours sincerely,

John Landy,
Chair, Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund Advisory Panel

An amount of money was deposited into the school’s bank account on 20th March 2009. Unfortunately there was no identifying description and we are at a loss to know who to credit this amount to. Please contact the school office if you deposited money into the school’s account around that date.
As part of year 9 Literacy and Life Skills, students have entered the RACV Transmission competition for 2009. This was the competition that Rutherford won in 2008 and the ad is still screening on WIN television. Once again students have to promote a road safety issue and this is the first of three articles which will be in the newsletter.

Ron Webb

Drink Driving – Why Would You Drink and Drive???

Why are we writing this newsletter item?

As part of our year 9 Literacy and Life Skills class, Mr Webb entered us in a RACV Transmission competition. As part of this we are designing an advertisement for the RACV on a road issue. We choose Drink Driving. We are writing this newsletter item to try to stop people from drink driving. We want people instead of drink driving to call a cab or have a designated driver as this will reduce your chance of being injured or killed on the roads.

Why Is This Topic Important?

This topic is important because we want to stop people from drink driving and killing and injuring themselves and other people. We found that many people, particularly in the 21-25 year group are still risking driving home after a night out. We also want people to follow some of the following if they are planning to drink:

- Have a designated non drinking driver
- Use public transport (i.e. Courtesy Bus)
- Stay the night at a friends place
- Arrange a friend or family member to pick you and your friends up

What Are The Facts???

Some facts we found about drink driving include:

- Drink driving is a major cause of road crashes.
- Alcohol contributes to 10% of industrial machine accidents.
- 20% of drivers, riders and pedestrians are killed with a BAC over .05
- Alcohol makes you less observant, slower to react and less able to do simple things.
- Many people believe drinking coffee, chewing gum, taking cold showers, exercising or vomiting will reduce your BAC. THEY ARE WRONG!!!

What Is Our Advertisement Idea?

At this stage our advertisement focuses on two drunk ducks who have an accident. They crash into a tree. This is to gain viewers attention. Next we see two blokes leaving a pub and they make the decision to call a taxi. The slogan for our advertisement is “If ducks can’t drink and fly, why would you drink and drive.”

Thanks

By Milan Keljin, Axl Lohse, Lyndon Sarah, Charlie Williams and Matthew Haines

GO YOU GOOD THINGS!!

Good Friday Appeal: Year 9 students, Kayla Marquison, Nathaniel Schmidt, Brittany Stones, Georgia Dunstan

Computer Tutoring: For helping the residents from Glenview learn about the computer. Nathaniel Schmidt, Dale Lumby, Gary Douglas, Lyndon Sarah, Charlie Williams, Dean Cooke, Dylan Van berlo, Milan Keljin, Todd Kelly.
Bonjour! Ciao! Or just plain G’day!

INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN EXCHANGE STUDENT?

Open a door to other countries! Expose your family to another culture and extend your family unit on an international level.

World Education Program (WEP) is looking for Volunteer Host Families for International Students arriving in July 2009.

Students from Belgium, Italy, Brazil, France, and Germany are looking for families that are prepared to welcome them into their homes as a family member.

These young ambassadors are looking for life long friends and a place to call home during their stay. If you would like more information on becoming a Host Family, please contact our National Office.

World Education Program

Toll Free: 1300 884 733
Ph: (03) 9598 4733
Fax: (03) 9598 4233
Email: wep@wep.org.au

An information pack can be sent on request.

Health Corner. Week 1 Term 2 2009-04-21

2009 is the year of the Blood Donor which aims to raise awareness of the ongoing need for blood and blood products. I would like to congratulate our school’s wonderful youth donors whose gift of life can save the lives of up to 3 people with each donation. Students freely donate their time, blood and generously withstand the small amount of pain associated with donating without expecting anything in return. There are very few things we do in life without expecting to benefit in some way so what a fantastic effort. Our school is part of the Vampire Youth Donor competition which I am hoping will be decided this year on the percentage of donors per school population rather than the total number of donors. If you are 16yrs and interested in donating please see me at school on Mon or Thurs. Students that have donated so far this year are Daniel Styles, Brad Walker, Jeremy Heppell, Connor Grantham, Ellen Johnson, Elise Peatling, Jemma Lumby, Casey Shale, Casey Walsh, Brooke Edgar, Becky Spinks and Steph Pearce. Thank You

Linda Elkington Secondary School Nurse
Rutherglen Auskick 2009

The 2009 season commences with training on this THURSDAY 23 APRIL

4-30 till 5-30 pm at Barkley Park Rutherglen.

There is a number of new and past players who were unable to attend our Registration night. Please come along to our first training night and I can register those players and give them their backpack and goodies on the night.

COST - $50-00 Per Player or $100-00 for 2 or more players

If you have registered on line bring the printed form along with you.
Otherwise I will have plenty of Rego Forms with me on the night.

There is quite a few football boots that the club has for our players to use if anybody needs them. And if you borrowed some boots last year and they are now to small bring them back on Thursday night.

Our first game is at Howlong on the 3rd May. The players will get thier Cats jumpers on the Thursday night prior to the first game. The Draw for 2009 will be handed out at training Thursday night.
RUTHERGLEN SWIMMING CLUB

...will hold their Annual General Meeting and Presentation Night on Friday 24th April, starting at 6pm.

6.00—Casserole Tea
7.00—AGM
7.30—Presentation of trophies

Breakfast Program

For Students

When? Thursdays, 8.15am to 8.50am
Where? RHS Community Centre
What’s On? Milo, Tea, Coffee, Toast, Cereal….sometimes pancakes, smoothies and more!

And….It’s All Free!!

Thanks so much to Rutherglen Bakery for their continued support of our breakfast program.

Rutherglen Football & Netball Club - 2009 Canteen Roster

April 26th vs Wodonga Saints (Sunday)

9:00 – 11:00
11:00 – 1:00
1:00 – 3:00
3:00 – 5:00

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All the latest club news is on our website www.rutherglenfc.vcfl.com.au

“The Cats”

This is your club and it relies on everyone to do their bit. If you are unable to work your shift can you please arrange a swap or someone to replace you. Thanks for your assistance.

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