

Hello from our new Chaplain

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Robbie Boyle and I am the new Chaplain at Ashwood College. I have worked with primary and secondary aged students for the past 9 years through various organisations and churches.

I am very excited about my new role at Ashwood and look forward to meeting as many members of the school community as possible. I will be at the school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. My role initially will involve facilitating personal development groups for boys and working with students referred by teachers.



However students, parents and staff are welcome to request to see me.

Looking forward to meeting you!
Robbie Boyle - Chaplain

Dual Stream Program

The second group of students to join the Dual Stream at Ashwood College have settled into High School life very well as you may have noted after reading their report in a recent edition of Ashwords.

Meanwhile, part of the Dual Stream curriculum for the students of 8D at Ashwood College this year is **My Quest**. Students are required to make a proposal for a project topic in full consultation with parents/guardians and teachers. **It is more than a hobby based project.** This year long project combines school learning and home based learning and should be one that opens up a whole new world of discovery involving research and the development of new skills and knowledge.

Students are given the opportunity to research a topic that they have either had a longstanding interest in or to explore a new interest or direction. Students are also expected to seek out a mentor who has the necessary expertise and knowledge required for their particular project.

Students make a statement at the beginning of the project specifying:

What I Want to Learn

[What the project is about]

How I Will Go About Learning These Things

[Who will be their Mentor, Library Resources, etc.]

What The FINAL Product Will Be

[What I will make or create or compose or construct or produce]

My Timeline

Work & Progress Report and Mentor Conference Dates

My Quest has three main components:

- Research and Design
- Research and Writing Skills
- Presenting a Project
- Oral Communication and ICT skills
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MY QUEST integrates English, Maths, the Arts and ICT and provides a context for personalised learning and the development of **Personal and Interpersonal skills**.

The project must be entirely the result of the student's own work. They will be provided with a project journal to keep a written and pictorial record of their progress. Over the year regular oral and written reports and oral presentations will also be given to the class.

In December students in 8D will set up a display to support their presentation. Finally, each student is required to prepare a 10 - 15 minute speech giving an overview of the process through which they have gone in bringing their project to completion.

John Wright - Dual Stream Co-ordinator

Diary Dates:

Thursday	17th	April	Mum's Pamper Night
Sunday	20th	April	Working Bee
Friday	25	April	Anzac Day Holiday
Tuesday	29	April	Open Night 5.00 - 8.00 pm students dismissed at 12.00 pm
Wednesday	30	April	Late Start—Homegroup commences at 10.50 am

Barwon Heads Excursion

The Year 11 Biology excursion to Barwon Heads was “awesome, cool, unreal, too good”. The weather was perfect, the students were “brilliant and beautiful” and the presenter was entertaining.

Students surveyed the Rocky Shore, went on a boat trip, smelt the exquisite scent of seal, studied a colony of Tube-Worms and were involved in hands on activities. They even managed to get in a quick dip at Queenscliff to cool off. Harry, the presenter-guide, was a passionate environmentalist who kept every-one entertained with his crazy sense of humour and endless examples of the seals sexual behaviour and adaptations.

All the data collected by our students will be put on the data base for the future use of the Marine Discovery Centre.

Bernie Jowett - Science Teacher

Open Night

Tuesday, 29 April

The annual Ashwood College Open Night will be held on Tuesday, 29 April this year.

Open Night is a big event on our calendar as it is the time when prospective parents and students visit the school to see what we have to offer.

Advance warning is given to parents regarding the special arrangements.

Sunday, 20 April	Working Bee
Friday, 25 April	Anzac Day Holiday
Tuesday, 29 April	Open Night 5.00—8.00 pm
12.00 pm	School dismissed
12.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Displays set up
5.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Open Night
7.00 pm	Parent information session

Wednesday 30 April

Late start to enable displays to be dismantled

10.50 am	Home Group
11.00 am	Period 3 starts

Kerrie Croft—Principal

**WORKING BEE
SUNDAY 20 APRIL**

Year 10 Work Experience

The Work Experience Programme will come around sooner than you think. Unfortunately, there are many students who haven't had their contract signed, completed and returned.

There are some students who do not even have a placement organised yet. This must be done **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!** Work Experience is a compulsory part of the College curriculum at Year 10. **"Successful completion of the Work Experience Programme"** is one of the requirements for completing Year 10 and a prerequisite for entry into many subjects in VCE. See Mr. Bullen for the necessary paperwork! Act now!

John Bullen - Work Experience Coordinator

Intermediate Baseball

A group of eleven Year 9 and 10 boys travelled to Napier Park to rival Brentwood, Highvale and Mt Waverly schools in Intermediate Baseball. Batting and catching in 39 degree heat was no easy task, but the boys kept their spirits (and water) up and represented the school well. We didn't have much luck facing Brentwood and Mt. Waverly, both with state level players - but came out on top of Highvale. Well done to: Chris Hermitte, Ricky Francese, George Kottaridis, Frankie Loi, Jordan Cross, Chris Hill, Joel Mattiske, Lackie McKinley, Anthony Westmore, Abudul Ibrahim and Sammy Cruthers.

Joe Murphy - Supervising Teacher

Careers in Engineering

Are you interested in becoming an engineer?

Not too sure what an engineer does?

Then Engineers Australia invites you to attend a free Engineering Careers EXPO which will be held on

Thursday 17th April 2008

Melbourne Town Hall cnr Swanston & Collins

Streets Melbourne

between 3pm and 7pm.

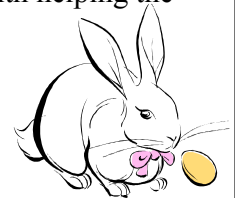
At this seminar you will have the opportunity to meet employers, attend free seminars, have your resume checked, get recruitment advice and start networking.

EASTER RAFFLE

On behalf of the fundraising committee I would like to thank all the families that donated eggs for this event. We had a terrific response. With all the eggs that were donated we were able to make up a prize for each home group and then also had 14 other prizes for the whole school draw. The selling of tickets wasn't followed with as much enthusiasm. We made \$225.

Thank you again and hoping that as we go along with other events, you all will come on board and support us as much as possible with helping the school.

Judy Westmore



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District Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 28th February, 24 students from Years 7 to 12 represented Ashwood College at the District Swimming Carnival. Quite a few of our competitors were in multiple events throughout the day and the highlight was the relay races at the end which involved most of our students participating. We had some outstanding results during the day and notably the following students received ribbons:

- 2nd - Joel Howie - Boys Open Breaststroke 100m
- 3rd - Naomi Harvey - Girls Under 15 Butterfly 50m
- 2nd - Naomi Harvey - Girls Under 15 Freestyle 50m
- 3rd - Mel Blennerhassett - Girls Under 16 Freestyle 50m
- 3rd - Joel Howie - Boys Under 21 Freestyle 50m
- 3rd - Naomi Harvey, Felicity Hogg, Ashleigh Holmes & Kirra-Lee Huber - Girls Under 15 4x50m Relay

It was a great day and students participated with good spirits, encouragement and cheering each other on in every race. A thank you to Mr Young and Mrs Wiggins for their roles on the day. Check out the swimmers 'in action' in the photos below.

Melissa Worth —PE / Outdoor Ed Teacher

At Monash Seminar Series Program

Book online at www.monash.edu.au/study

At Monash University a broad range of degrees are offered by ten faculties: Art and Design; Arts; Business and Economics; Information Technology; Education; Engineering; Law; Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences; Victorian College of Pharmacy and Science.

Faculty overview:

Faculty speakers will give an overview of courses offered by the faculties represented at the event. Topics covered will include course lengths, contact hours, new courses on offer in 2009 and research trends.

Current Students:

Current Monash University students will provide a personal account of their experience within the faculty. This will include course expectations, revelations about student life and career aspirations.

Graduate students:

Monash University graduates will provide information on their working life/careers and the most rewarding outcomes since graduating from Monash and entering the workforce.

Questions and answers

This vital stage of the evening allows the audience to ask panel members specific questions.

Literature

At the end of the seminar the relevant faculty will make course literature available and answer any remaining questions.

Parents are welcome to attend.

Psychology-Monday 14 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Medicine, Biomedical Science, Nutrition and Dietetics-Tuesday 15 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Arts and Humanities-Wednesday 16 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Art & Design – Architecture Thursday 17 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Caulfield Campus

Art & Design – Multimedia and Digital Art Tuesday 22 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Caulfield Campus

Education Sport and Outdoor Recreation Tuesday 24 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Peninsula Campus

Art & Design – Fine Arts Monday 28 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Caulfield Campus

Sciences -Tuesday 29 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Art & Design – Design-Wednesday 30 April, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Caulfield Campus

Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Health Sciences-Thursday 1 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Peninsula

Law-Monday 5 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Engineering-Wednesday 7 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences-Tuesday 13 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Parkville Campus

Business and Economics-Thursday 15 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Caulfield Campus

Drama and Performing Arts-Tuesday 20 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Clayton Campus

Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedics-Wednesday 21 May, 6.30 pm – 8 pm Peninsula Campus

University of Melbourne Master Class 2008

Ever wondered what university is really like? Join Master Class 2008 and get a taste of the Melbourne Experience. Experience what uni is really like.

Master Class program offers Year 10 students the chance to participate in a series of lectures, workshops and practical classes specially designed to showcase the university experience.

The program's presenters are leading academics in their fields and have chosen topics to capture your imagination and foster discussion.

Date	Program
Wednesdays 14, 21, 28 May 2008	Master Classes available in May
Wednesday 2 July 2008	Master Class Day (multiple classes available in one day)

Master Class allows you a personal insight to the way universities work and exposure to new and exciting fields of study.

Master Class program schedule

All Master Classes are held at Parkville campus. Details about the venue will be advised directly to successful applicants.

For More information go to: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/masterclass

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MUM'S PAMPER NIGHT

Daughters—bring your Mums, Aunts and Grandmothers

La Reve Aromatherapy
Oils to help you relax and enjoy life!

Lets Get Wired
Jewellery for Sale on the Night! Prices form \$30—\$ 100.

Nutrimetics:
Enjoy a Relaxing Hand Pampering and Catch up on all the
Latest fashion colours and Make-up Trends.

DATE : Thursday April 17th
TIME: 7.00 pm
PLACE: Foyer of Performing Arts Centre
COST : \$ 5.00
(Includes Raffle Ticket and a Glass of Wine)

Enquiries to Lyn Hancock 9802 8734
Please RSVP using slip below.



I (please print) wish to express my interest in attending
the 'Mum's Pamper Night'.



I would like to bringLadies with me to be wined
and pampered.

Contact Phone no: