Montague Continuing Education Centre

NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Report

We feel very fortunate and privileged to work with the students and families at Montague CEC, also the many agencies and services we have partnerships with, thus I believe it is important to continually reflect the values which underpin all actions of the whole school community are:

- The belief that every student has the right and the capacity to integrate fully into their community
- The belief that every member of the school community is valued and respected
- The belief that all members of the school community should work as a harmonious team

Further the students collaboratively have defined goals and modes of conduct:

- We celebrate each other’s differences
- We are positive, enthusiastic and show joy
- We treat each other with respect

VET

Next term 12 students will be doing a variety of VET units each Friday at Kangan TAFE, most students will come to Montague as normal and staff will transport and accompany/support students at Kangan and return to Montague by 3pm. As the students become accustomed to the routine we do encourage them to travel independently at least home. Other individual students are continuing their School Based Traineeships.

Each student is required to pay approx. $350 towards the cost of participating in these certificates, individual notes have been sent home with students. We would appreciate payment in the first week of term 2.

VCAL

In this newsletter we are including your son’s/daughter’s VCAL enrolment printout. Please check this and sign where indicated and return to us ASAP.
If you have any queries re this please do not hesitate to call David.

**Open Family Partnership**

Each Friday the Healthy Eating Centre here at Montague has been producing healthy snacks that are distributed in the streets of Melbourne through the Open Family caravan on Friday and Saturday nights. Trinda, Kushboo, Antoinette, Kate and Kai have worked hard with Cathy to produce slices, sausage rolls to the delight of the recipients we believe from very positive feedback.

**Duke of Edinburgh**

Eight students, all boys, have really embraced an excellent program this year and what an exciting one, Cathy has developed with the students.

**School Council**

At the AGM on Wednesday 5th March Chris Belden was re-elected as our school council president, thank you Chris.
I would like to acknowledge and give thanks to Peter Smith who has been the staff rep since 2006. Peter has given dedicated service to the school council in this role and has always represented all staff in a professional manner.
As you were aware there were 2 vacancies for parent representatives on School Council. The 2 parents who nominated were successfully elected at the AGM, thank you Julie Perkins [Blake’s mother] and Mark Pearson [Phillip’s uncle]

**SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

2014
Chris Belden (President)
Gill Meek (Vice President)
Peter Molloy (Treasurer)
Paul Frawley
Julie Perkins
Mark Pearson
Natalie Staton
Julie Langford
Soturia Hatzi [Staff Rep]

**Students Contributions**

Once again students have contributed to our newsletter. Students take great joy and pride in sharing their experiences, so I do hope you gain much from their insights.

Enjoy Easter and the break

Geri

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**End of term 1**
**Friday 4th April**

Students will be dismissed at lunchtime
Cricket

Pace Bowling, Spin Bowling, Medium Bowling,
Is a choice I need to make?
Cover drives, Pool shots, Cut Shots
Are ways to smash the ball?
Ear Catch, Chest Catch, Super dive Catch
Is a way to stop the ball?
From rolling over the Boundary.
Full running, like a cheetah.
Slow running, like an old person.
Medium pacing, well that you my friend.
Reds Balls, White Balls and in Between Balls.
You must be cracking in your boots son.
If you’re in the way,
The ball will cause you PAIN!!!!!!!.

By Brady Bomber Harrison
Soccer—the best sport in the world.
You can play anywhere with minimal equipment.
Lots of people in the world play soccer and it’s the most-played sport in the world.
Easy to play the sport.
Football team is like a family.
Professional soccer players make lots of money.
By Andrew
Mind your own business
Kate Staton

Mind your own business,
What are you staring at?
Mind your own business,
Don't you know private means just that?
Mind your own business,
Why do you want to know everything?
Mind your own business,
I need my space.
Mind your own business,
Don't they get some people need privacy?
Mind your own business.
I'm not talking to you.
Mind your own business.
Just leave me alone.
Mind your own business.
Yes I mean you.
Mum took us to our grandparents and cousins house. 
Yes, I built my halo Mega Bloks vampire attack. 
Had fun outside playing on my trampoline. 
O’ I’m glad we have air conditioning. 
Lying around watching T.V. 
I played halo 4 and GTA 4. 
Do you know I also play Pixelmon? 
Always using my hands is what I like best. 
Yes and I prefer to watch paint dry then watch cricket. 
Swan in the pool for a week during 40 degree heat.
Noah

Nice, nasty, narrow, nosy.
Obvious, obedient, objective, obstinate.
Able, awesome, amazing, adventurous.
Hungry, happy, healthy, helpful.
Dear Mouna,

Thank you for the personnel tour of the Block. We thoroughly enjoyed looking through the 4 apartments. We love the show and were so lucky to see the rooms up close.

We got to meet the entire contestants. I love the girls and I hope they win. Their place was amazing.
On behalf of the staff and students at Montague Continuing Educator Centre thank you again for this amazing opportunity.

We hope to see you again in the future.
Last Thursday after school Daniel, Tannara and I went to Berendale School to do cafe skills. Geri drove us there. We first met our teacher named Janet and introduce ourselves to her. We then went into the kitchen where the cafe machine was and she taught us how to make ice chocolates.

Then we started to make one and we got to drank it with the ice chocolates. We had chocolate balls. Then we moved our chairs and sat around the coffee machine and Janet showed us how to work and clean the machine.

We got to make espresso and make the milk bubbly. We all took turns of doing it and she said we all worked really well. Then at the end everyone got picked up by their parents and Tannara and I got taken to the station by Janet.

From Toni
I am 15 years old I travel everyday to South Melbourne from Sunbury. It takes me 1 and a half hours each day. I chose BATMAN for the scarf as he represents the good. The joker is the bad.

The joker in general is a funny character. And he is a bad character. I like crusty demons. Mum tells me I’m a selfish when I don’t do my house jobs but will feed me divine food as I have food allergies so she always on the lookout for gluten free food.
Today we went to Geelong National Wool Museum to deliver our scarfs for Community Access. We saw a loom was made in 1910 to make carpets. It takes two hours to make one meter of carpet per day. It took three days to set the loom up make the loom.

The most expensive bail of wool was over one million dollars. It was bought by the Japanese who were going to make four suits. Each suit would cost over $250, 00 plus in 1995.

Shearers shear 200 sheep a day. They get $2 per sheep. It takes them 3 minutes to shear a sheep.
Today we went to ADEC in Preston to collect the art works. Peter drove us in the bus. We also went to a typewriter shop.

We drove past Etihad Stadium. We talked about the plane crash and everyone gave their opinion about what may happened to the plane.
Deranged, deadly, dreaded.
Angelic, artificial, accurate.
Narcissistic, neutral, neat.
Interesting, intimidating, imaginative.
Evolving, entreating, exciting.
Listing, likeable, loving.

Daniel
My holidays

BILLY

Mum bought heaps and heaps Yay! Yay! Yay!

You know I stayed at home a lot BORING! BORING! BORING!

HO! HO! HO! Santa came to visit.

Oh! I’m now $50 richer come on Santa I need more, more, more!

Liked lots of ice cream, yum, yum, yum.

It was time for my phone to have a break OMG

Do you know I saved $80 on my phone bill? What a deal!

And I’m glad to be back at school.

Yes, I really am.

Sleep is what I need now.

By Billy
My holiday where bad
Yes, because I didn’t go anywhere but stayed
Home all day.
Only one day out and I came Home
Late.
I spent some time with
Dad and mum.
Aunty and uncle took me out.
Yash and
Smit my brother.
Joshua’s Holidays

Josh Warrick

My farm in Ballarat was great.
Yes, I rode my bike all day long.
Houses, houses, houses, searching were fun.
Oh, and listened to lots of music on my computer.
Lucas my cousin was there too!
I did a lot of things you see
Did you know I built a quad bike?
And I didn’t do that much. You Know!
Yay! I built my swimming pool and
Spent lots of time sitting in it.
My best friends

They are sweet. They are caring.
They are kind. They are cute.
They are good to share things with.

I don’t like the ones who smoke. I don’t like the ones who are bossy.
I don’t like the ones who have facial hairs. I don’t like the ones who make me upset.
I don’t like the ones who cheat on you.

I like those who smell nice. I like those who talk nice.
I like those who help you. I like those who give goods hugs.
I like those who ask me how I am.

They make me smile. They make me happy.
They make me feel safe. They make me trust. They make me who I am.
They are my best friends.

Khushboo Roy
I don’t know

I feel sad.
I feel confused.
I feel grumpy.
I don’t know how to feel.

I don’t know what’s going on.
He won’t to hospital on.
He died on Tuesday nights.
They won’t tell me anything.

I don’t know why.
He was good bloke.
He was my uncle.
He was good to talk to.
He was a brother and mate.

Kids don’t know yet.
How am I going to tell them?
What am I going to say?
Why me? I don’t know.

By Cody Kerr
My Great Barrier Reef holiday

Sam Belden

Hot, hot, hot, rain, rain, rain-so refreshing.
Ooooppp, stinging jelly fish watch out.
Love my time away always do.

I went to the beach a lot because it was hot, hot, and hot.

Do you know we had to swim in a net? Why! Why! Why!

Ahhh, watch out for crocodiles-Chop Chop Chop.

You know the fishing was great, but we didn’t catch one.

Sunny, sunshine coast always sunny and warm.
On Wednesday the 5th of February, Daniel and I started our media course. The people who organised the course were the beyond the school gates program. The program starts at 9:30 and finishes at 2:30 pm. Every week the venues change. The program goes for 18 weeks in terms 1 and 2.

Daniel and I met David underneath the clocks at Flinders Street Station. We caught a tram to 16 Cardigan Street. As we arrived to the address we went upstairs and there were 2 ladies there and nobody else, so we asked them what was going on. One of the ladies called the person who organised it all and she said the venue had changed, so we went to the new venue in Bourke Street.

We had to walk a couple of blocks to 225 Bourke Street as we arrived everyone was just about to head up to the 6th floor. To start off the class we learnt about how to use a camera. When we finished we gave each other interviews.

At 11:30 we had our morning tea break we got shown around the building and got told where everything was. After morning tea we got on the tram and went to Syn. We learnt about how a radio show works. Then we were asked what we would like to talk about. Some people said Video games, Music, Cooking and TV shows.

Once we learnt about a radio show we listened to one of them from another school. After we listened to one we all broke off into groups
and researched and practised what we were going to say. Lucy and I did a “did you know?” Facts about music. In the script Lucy and I wrote there were different facts like:

Did you know?

- Great white sharks apparently enjoy listening to hard rock songs by ACDC as studies find.
- Music not only changes our mood, but it also changes how we think and our perception of the world.
- Listening to music before going to bed can relieve stress and anxiety—helping you get a good night’s rest.
- During the day if someone sings a song around you there is a 90% chance that you will find yourself singing it sometime during the day.
- Men and women who listen to music tend to have better communication skills and longer lasting relationships.

After we finished researching we went to a recording studio and recorded our radio show. Afterwards we listened to what we had done the guy who taught us said we had all done a perfect job.

When we finished we went back to the building and had lunch. At the end of the day we were all asked what we would like to do. We were all told where we were going to be next week and what we were doing and we went home at 2:30 pm.
First Day in a New School

Mum woke me up.

“Get up,” She said.

I wanted to stay in bed.

Forced myself to wake.

Got ready for school.

And off we went.

Tram 96 then 109 to Montague.

Met teachers, principal and students.

Felt shy and nervous.

Happy to be here.

Give some time and I

Won’t be so shy!

Trinda
Ruby and Magie

By Tonileigh Jacobs

She smiles when you lift her up.
She drives you mental when she screams.
She crawls into everything.
She is nine months old.
She’s a cheeky little monkey.
She loves taking selfies with me.
She’s cute and cuddly.
She’s so lovable.
She never leaves me alone.
She talks to me.
She loves to get in to my shoes.
She’s always happy and gives me lots of kisses.
She jumps up when she sees me.
She is my best friend.
Open Family update

On Friday the 31st of January Kate, Khushboo and Toni cooked with Cathy in the kitchen for open family. We made plum and coconut muffins and also made banana and apricot muffins. All together there were about 30 muffins. After we let them cool down on a cooling rack. Then we got glad wrap and wrapped them up and put them in an esky. Then we left it at the office so Anthony from open family could come and collect it.

On Friday the 7th of February we cooked cheese and bacon damper and also chocolate and cherry cake. When we finished them we let them cool down. While they were cooling, we made fruit skewers. On the fruit skewers we put water melon, cantaloupe, oranges, apple, peach and nectarine. We had left over ingredients to make muffins for the students at lunch time. They all enjoyed the muffins very much.

On the next page there will be a muffin recipe to share.
Plum and Apricot muffins

1 egg
1 cup of milk or ½ cup of juice
¼ vegetable oil or butter
2 cups self-rising flour
½ caster sugar
1 teaspoon of salt
½ shredded coconut
1 cup stewed plums

Sift the flour, sugar and salt. Stir into the milk, egg and oil in the mixture until the flour is just moistened. Do not over mix. The butter should be slightly lumpy.
Fill in the patty pans 2/3 full. Bake 20-25 mins or until golden brown.
Loosen immediately with a spatula.
Sport Last Week

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Last week a group of us with Sotiria and Peter went on the bus and went out for a session for sport. We first went to the Port Melbourne Station Pier which has been Heritage listed to see the ships that were there.

Then went to Bay Street to find a ‘two dollar shop’ so we could buy some cricket balls. After that we drove to see ‘The block’ to see it and there were builders there building it. Then we found out that it’s an old church which will be made into four units.

We then drove to the park and set up the cricket stumps and started to play cricket and while we were waiting we sat on the grass and talked. We all had a go of hitting the ball and then all the cricket balls broke. We had to go back to Bay Street and returned the balls. Then we went back to school and had lunch time.

Toni Pezzimenti