Important message for parents RE Interim Reports
A reminder to parents that Interim reports will not be mailed home this term. Parents will now be able to view student reports on the Thornbury High School web page through the Compass Portal: http://www.thornburyhs.vic.edu.au/ and click on Compass School Manager
An information letter:
• containing unique parent log in details
• explaining how to view Interim reports and book teacher interviews
• Sent separately to arrive this week.
Christine Bartsh and Paul Mameghan – Assistant Principals
People Of Darebin Needing Signatures For Petition

RE: Speed Limit On Rossmoyne Strip

I am a resident of Darebin and live on Station Street, Thornbury Rossmoyne Village. Myself, and the owner of the local grocer have become concerned with the hazards and accidents due to speeding vehicles on the Rossmoyne strip. Our concern is that there have been a number of accidents in this area in the past and that the risk of something terrible happening is high. I have outlined our concerns in a petition that will be submitted to the local Darebin Council as well as Vic Roads. Our aim is to have the speed limit reduced in the area particularly because it is a school zone. Maned by traffic attendants at the traffic lights in school hours, the speed limit is 60km rather than the required 40km, legal limit during certain school times. We are proposing that the speed limit at Rossmoyne Village is lowered, at the lights and all of the Rossmoyne strip.

There have been three major accidents recently. On one occasion, a car crashed, ploughing through the car park and into a shop front. On another occasion, a car crashed through a fence and then crashed in to the lounge room of a residential property on Station Street, Rossmoyne Village. Reversing out of the car park is near impossible. If the speed limit in this area was lowered, such hazards would decrease. We are wondering how serious this situation has to become before action takes place?

We are hoping that you would accept our petition and sign if you are interested? As many signatures as possible will only help the cause. The petition is located at the grocery store on Station Street. The owner of the store’s address is: 404 Station Street, Thornbury.

Bianca Walsh, Ph: 0425 831 714.

YEAR 7 – 10 PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Families are reminded about the upcoming Year 7 – 10 parent / teacher interviews on Thursday 19th September. There are no scheduled classes on this day however students are expected to attend with their parents. Interview times are as follows: 10.00am – 1.00pm, 3.00 – 5.00pm, 6.00 – 8.00pm. These interviews are short (5 – 10 minutes) and parents needing longer should make a separate appointment with the teacher.

News From The Music Office—— Junior Music Camp

The anticipation was palpable, right from the first bounce, as the staff and Year Seven students set out to Phillip Island for three days of intense music rehearsal.

The highlights from the first half of play was undoubtedly the surfing experience. With a strong breeze blowing towards the Punt Road end, yet sunny conditions, the staff and students came out unscathed and ready to tackle some Brahms, Beethoven and of course, the giant swing!

Late in the second half was set-up to be a tough one for staff and students. Joining us off the bench were the Year Eight’s, and now we had the issue of 85 students on the field. However, the umpires turned a blind eye as the climax of the day was upon us. Performing and attending the Penguin Parade! Mr. Egeberg was promoted from the second XVIII and joined us, whilst our hard working music department were working frantically to get all the students looking and playing the part/s. It couldn’t have gone better, as the students played with gusto as well as receiving a glowing review in the Phillip Island Advertiser.

The second half left Thornbury drastically undersized as it was time to say hooroo to our Year Seven’s. The Year Eight’s were left with the task of performing to more than three hundred primary school students at the camp’s auditorium. Lead by Sean Nihill, the Year Eight’s played the sharp’s sharp, the flat’s flat and fashioned a game plan that was a spectacle to their younger counterparts.

During the final quarter, the students were struggling with their fitness levels due to their tiresome commitment and not wishing to depart so soon. The student’s attitude and behaviour were as good as perfect, whilst best on ground were all the lovely and committed staff members who put in, as usual, more than what is required. Sean Nihill, Jane Farman, Emma McCulloch and Fiona Parrey each came away with three goals, four contested possessions and six score assists. While Diana Reardon, Jo A., Craig Harrison, Marc Matthews, Adam Coad, Peter Egeberg and Kyle Schutz all came off the bench playing major key roles producing five hard-ball gets and twenty-five plus disposals.

Last but not least, a huge thank you to Renee Meadows who creates all the training routines and keeps the entire Music Department falling into an Essendon like scenario.

Fionn O’Sullivan, Music Coordinator
Year 11 Inspiration Day
Get inspired about your future. Discover what university is like, and how the course you choose can make a difference to your life and the lives of others. Visit Monash University (building H, Caulfield campus) on Thursday, September 26th between 11-3pm to learn more about university life. Register at monash.edu/year11-day.

Students Applying For Courses For 2014
By now each year 12 student should have booked an appointment with Catherine or Mr Smith to register and apply for VTAC courses. Can parents/guardians please check that your child has done this? We will stop endorsing students for RMIT’s special access scheme as of September 13th so much sure applications are in on time.

Year 12 Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS)
If you are applying for special consideration please see Catherine or Miss Farmakis by September 13th. If you are applying for one of the courses below please see Catherine in the careers office.

The Fitness Stream Program will run for 3 weeks in December/January, then one evening a week from February - July. Students completing this course will receive:
-Certificate III in Fitness
-Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation

The Nutrition Stream Program will run for 2 weeks in December/January, then one evening a week from February - September. Students completing this course will receive:
-Certificate III in Nutrition & Dietetics Assistance

Creative Careers Day
Sunday 15 September, Academy of Design, 220 Ingle Street Port Melbourne
Secondary students interested in pursuing a creative career are invited to come and meet current practitioners in the fields of art and design and hear their stories about how they progressed in a creative industry.

Speakers from the fields of fashion design, photography, filmmaking and graphic design will feature. For more information please see Catherine.

Aerobics News

Thornbury High’s Sport Aerobics Squad entered the Victorian State AEROSkools Championships on Thursday 15th of August – held at the State Netball and Hockey Centre in Parkville. Athletes spent the entire day competing and supporting one another through their high energy routines against over fifty different schools from Victoria. With divisions having as many as forty-five competitors, the top few places were highly sought after.

Congratulations to the following athletes who performed exceptionally well on the day:

- Victoria and Jessica of Year 8 placed 26th in the Level 3 Intermediate Pair Division.
- Elise, Serene, Brianna and Emily of Year 8 qualified for finals and placed equal 6th in the Level 3 Intermediate Group Division.
- Christina and Bridgette of Years 8/9 placed 5th in the Level 4 Intermediate Pair Division.
- Claudia and Zoe of Year 10 placed 5th in the Level 3 Senior Pair Division.
- Griffin, Anna, Michaela and Tamara of Years 9/10 placed 5th in the Level 3 Senior Group Division.
- Lilly, Kaitlin and Joslyn of Years 10/11 placed 2nd in the Level 3 Senior Trio Division – qualifying for the Australian Championships to be held in Brisbane during the Term 3 School Holidays!

The squad then went on to improve on their results at the Melbourne Girls College Invitational Competition, held on Friday the 23rd of August at the Melbourne Girls College, Richmond, taking away 3 gold medals and 2 silver! Well done to all involved.

Eleanor Haydock, Aerobics Instructor
Measles Alert In Melbourne

Families may be aware that there have been a small number of reported cases of measles in Melbourne’s north in August.

Measles (or Rubeola which is different from Rubella - German Measles) is a highly contagious viral illness characterised by a skin rash and fever. More severe complications can develop in some cases.

**Signs and symptoms may include:**
- Fever
- Generally feeling unwell
- Runny nose

- Dry cough
- Sore and red eyes
- Red and bluish spots inside the mouth
- Red and blotchy skin rash appearing first on the face and hairline before spreading to the body.

Measles is usually spread by droplets from an infected person’s cough or sneeze and can survive long enough for it to be picked up from contaminated surfaces when a person touches that surface and then their nose or mouth.

It’s a timely reminder in the cold and flu season to wash hands well after blowing/touching your nose, using the toilet and before eating.

The Victorian health authorities recommend that if you suspect you or a family member have contracted measles you should consult a doctor and ring ahead to tell them you think it might be measles so that they can take precautions to prevent further transmission to others.

Harriet Robin, Adolescent School Nurse

CREATE— A week of celebration for Art & Tech

On the second week of Term 4 we will celebrate the creativity of our students in the Arts and Technology area. The week will showcase the performers, artists, designers, film makers and chefs in years 10, 11 and 12. There will be activities and shows at lunchtime.

We would like to invite the school community particularly the parents of year 10, 11 and 12 students to attend the opening and view the students folios.

**CREATE OPENING NIGHT**

**Wed 16th October.**

**Time:** 6pm for exhibition, performance and outdoor cinema

**Where:** Through the main entrance to the central hall.

**Finger food and drinks**

**CREATIVE FUTURES** will offer a unique experience for those students thinking about a future in the Arts and Technology. On the Thursday night students will be able to listen to and ask questions of a panel of professionals working in the field of arts and design.

**CREATIVE FUTURES**

Come and listen and talk to the professionals.

Ask the questions for your future.

**Thursday 17th October**

**Time:** 6.30pm

Supper provided.

Anne Herschell, Art Coordinator
Library News

Book Week 2013
What an exciting and busy week, with various activities run throughout the week. Our theme this year was ‘Treasure Island’ which explains the number of ‘pirates’ around the school on our annual dress up day. THS was invaded by buccaneers, swashbucklers and many other colourful book characters. Humpty Dumpty, Arwen from The Lord of the Rings and one of the Bananas in Pyjamas were all present. We even had a visit from Jack Sparrow thanks to Mr Frederic and two Shadowhunters from the Mortal Instruments series protected us all.

The week ended with a massive lunchtime treasure hunt that had students sailing around the school in search of clues that finally led them to the treasure and their prize. Judging by the grins on their pirate faces, great fun was had by all involved.

We’d like to thank everyone involved in helping make Book Week such a success. Including, everyone who dressed up, especially those students who went to the trouble of making their own costumes. We were overwhelmed with both staff and student volunteers who generously donated their time to make this celebration as great as it was.

Finally we’d like to thank the many publishers who continuously support us by donating some amazing book prizes—Madman, Pan Macmillan, Hachette, Bloomsbury, Penguin, and Allen & Unwin. Also Bookworld who kindly provided discount vouchers for both staff and students. They would also like to extend this offer to parents and friends of Thornbury High School.

Get 10% off your next book, CD or DVD at Bookworld when you use voucher code BW-IB1A03. Sign up to become a Citizen for free and receive further discounts. Visit bookworld.com.au.

Premiers’ Reading Challenge 2013
The Premiers’ Reading Challenge ends on the 10th of September. We ask that all students involved in the challenge make sure they have entered all the books that they have read before this date either at home or at school. Students can use the computers in the library at lunchtime to update their lists.

Parents are also reminded that this year, The Age will publish the honour roll online. From Sunday 27th October, you will be able to view a personalised video and download a personalised front page of The Age that’s yours to keep.

Library Staff

Art For All—Fairfield Primary School

Preview Night
Friday 6th September 6pm-9pm

Opening Night
Saturday 7th September 7pm-10pm
Buy tickets at artforall.com.au

Family Day
Sunday 8th September 10am-3pm
Fairfield Primary School
Langridge Street, Fairfield
artforall.com.au

Book Week 2013
2nd Hand Uniform Shop

WE HAVE MOVED!
The shop is now located in Room 47
Open: Mondays (during term), 3.00 – 4.00pm
Turn outgrown/unwanted uniform items into THS account credit

• A good range of stock is available, so drop in for great prices.
• To sell uniform items that you no longer need, download and complete the required form located on the school’s website, and drop it along with your uniform items into the front office.
• Remember to:
  - Make sure your items are in saleable condition, i.e. good, very good or excellent condition. You get 50% of the selling price – but only for items in good to excellent condition.

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- Make sure your items are official school supplier items, i.e. not Kmart, Target or other. We cannot accept and sell non school supplier items.
- As your items are sold, you’ll receive credit to your THS account. (Please refer to the conditions on the form for further information).

Thanks and see you in the shop.
Donna & Deb
Parent volunteers