



# MERBEIN SECONDARY COLLEGE

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## Coming Events.....

Thurs	13/8	-Interhouse Athletic Carnival
Mon	24/8	-Work Experience for Year 10's (24/8 to 4/9)
Thurs	27/8	-Rock Eisteddfod
Tues	8/9	-SSSSA Athletics

## Term Dates for 2009

Term 3 -	13 <sup>th</sup> July	-	18 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4 -	5 <sup>th</sup> October	-	18 <sup>th</sup> December

## ....FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### State Champions

Congratulations to our Girls 16yrs Cross Country Team on becoming State Champions. The team consisting of Georgie Whitehead, Kate Robertson, Tahni Skewes, Elyse Carter and Jasmin Hurst won their age division at the Victorian Secondary Schools State Championships in Bundoora (Melbourne) last Friday. The team successfully defended the U/15 State Championships won last year. Georgie, Kate and Elyse were members of last year's team. Our team aggregate of 123 placed us ahead of Frankston High School (151) in second place and Mentone Girls High School (162) in third place. Our school and Ballarat High School were the only schools outside of the metropolitan area to win an age group championship. Georgie had a very successful meet as in finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> she added an individual bronze medal to her team gold. Congratulations also to Rachael Brade (Year 9) and Hannah Boseley (Year 8) who both achieved outstanding results in their first State Championships.

### The BEAT 2009

Our school will again have a strong representation at this year's BEAT performances on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August. Our school rock band *Supertonic* will be performing on both nights. Mrs Dunbar's 9/10 Dance class from first semester will perform on the Tuesday evening and Miss Priest's 9/10 first semester Dance class will perform on the Wednesday evening. Our students will not be involved in the matinee performances.

Tickets went on sale yesterday Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July from the Arts Centre. Parents are advised that tickets usually sell very quickly. Call the Arts Centre Box office on 50188330 or the Visitor Information Centre on 50188376. Prices are \$14 Adult, \$7 Concession, Pensioners and Children. Family (2 adults / 2 children) tickets are \$33 with each additional child \$3.50.

## Merbein Community Bank Rock Eisteddfod Major Sponsor

Our school is again delighted to have the Merbein Community Bank as the major sponsor of our Rock Eisteddfod. This follows on from their very generous support (\$3000) of our last effort in 2007. Mr Rob Libchard, Bank Manager, and Mrs Lauren Sayers recently presented our school with a cheque for \$3000 for this year's performance. This is a very significant amount and will provide much needed assistance as our performance date draws nearer.



## ROCK EISTEDDFOD NEWS

Please note that the performance date has been changed by the Rock Eisteddfod organisers in Adelaide. The previous date given was Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August. The performance has been moved to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Parents and family wishing to purchase tickets for the Rock Eisteddfod performance in Adelaide (at the Entertainment Centre) should call the school soon, to give an indication of the number of tickets required. Tickets will then be available through the front office.

**Please note that the ticket price has been reduced to \$35.**

### Rehearsals

Gerard Veltre will be attending RE rehearsals at Merbein SC this Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Rehearsals will start at **2pm**.

Smaller group rehearsals will be held during school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. ALL DANCERS and BACKSTAGE crew must attend.

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## STATE CROSS COUNTRY

Seven girls competed in the State Cross Country in Melbourne last Friday and after months of hard training, came away with some excellent results. In her first state running competition, Hannah Boseley ran well and came a very commendable 28<sup>th</sup> out of 100 13 year old girls. Rachael Brade ran a hard race and finished a sensational 8<sup>th</sup> placing in the 15 years 3km. The 16 years girl's team consisting of Georgie Whitehead, Kate Robertson, Tahni Skewes, Elyse Carter and Jasmin Hurst were crowned State Champions, winning the teams event with an aggregate of 123 (the 4<sup>th</sup> best aggregate out of ten for the day). Georgie finished a clear third after two other runners broke away and opened up a substantial lead. Kate came in at 25<sup>th</sup> position, Tahni finished 34<sup>th</sup>, Elyse 61<sup>st</sup> and Jasmin 66<sup>th</sup>.

To win a State Title is a wonderful achievement particularly when two girls ran above their age group. Well done!

...Miss Priest



**Pictured:** Tahni, Jasmin, Elyse, Georgie and Kate



**Pictured:** Hannah and Rachael

## INTERSCHOOL SOCCER RESULTS

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July, our boys soccer teams went to the Aerodrome Ovals to play Interschool soccer. The day was a round robin tournament between 5 schools; Merbein, Red Cliffs, Irymple, Chaffey and Trinity Lutheran. Each game was 2x12 minute halves. If scores were level after full time, then the result was decided with sudden death penalties.

The 7/8 team consisted of Ardit Gashi, Danny Jones, Josh Hay, Shaun Dacey, Corbin Weston, Tyler Costa, Jack Arney, Jake Pascoe, Mitchell Rogerson, Josef Moisisdis, Aiden Muller, Jack Wilson and Kaine Mazza. Results were that the 7/8 boys defeated Irymple and St.Josephs (something we have not done before),

however lost against Trinity (on penalties), Red Cliffs and Chaffey. Overall the team came 4<sup>th</sup>, with the better players on the day being Ardit Gashi, Danny Jones, Josh Hay, Corbin Weston, Shaun Dacey and Jake Pascoe.

The 9/10 team consisted of Orges Gashi, Thomas Henderson, Dayne Williams, Tyler Burke, Lachie Logan, Dane Costa, Lewis Makepeace, Ben Mitchell, Josh Rogerson and Matt Rodi.

Results were that the 9/10 team defeated Trinity, however narrowly lost the other games. Overall they came 4<sup>th</sup>, with the better players on the day being Orges Gashi, Lewis Makepeace, Thomas Henderson, Lachie Logan, Dayne Williams and Tyler Burke.

Considering we had only a few soccer players in each team and the others were footballers, our teams performed well and gave the opposition tough games.

Thanks very much to Mr Rix and Alison Makepeace for training us before the day and for coaching and umpiring on the day.

...Kaine Mazza (Year 8).

## SUNRAYSIA COMMUNITY DENTAL PROGRAM

The Sunraysia Community Dental Program (previously School Dental Service) is currently offering dental examinations and treatment to eligible students attending Merbein Secondary College.

To be eligible, students must be covered by a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and be new students to the school in the Last two Years.

To make an appointment or for further information please phone 5021 0944.

### Merbein Primary School Parents' Club

together with

### Vision Portraits

Invite you

to participate in our family portrait fundraising event scheduled for

**Friday September 11<sup>th</sup> at Merbein Primary School.**

For \$12 you can choose either a 10 x 13 inch colour portrait with a timber frame or a 10 x 13 inch black and white portrait with a black timber frame.

**Appointments are available between 4.30pm and 8.30pm.**

There will be 2 additional poses taken and a selection of portraits available to purchase.

For further information or to make a booking, please phone the school on **50252295**.

This is a great opportunity to get in early for Christmas presents.

Mr Garry Costello  
**PRINCIPAL**