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### Important Dates

- **18 February** - Senior (Year 11 & 12) Cricket
- **20 February** - Parents’ Club AGM
- **21 February** - Primary District Swimming
- **24 February** - Whole School Photo Day (Except Year 7, Year 7 Photos on 7 March.)
- **24 February** - Year 7 Camp Departs
- **26 February** - Years 7 Camp Returns
- **26 February** - College Council
- **7 March** - Year 7 Photo Day
- **10 March** - Labour Day Holiday
- **18 March** - Open Day/Night
- **3 April** - College Cross Country
- **4 April** - End of Term 1, Dismissal at 2.30 pm

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**Term Dates 2014**

- **Term 1** - 28 January to 4 April
- **Term 2** - 22 April to 27 June
- **Term 3** - 14 July to 19 September
- **Term 4** - 6 October to 19 December

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**RANGEVIEW TRAFFIC NOTICE**

See inside, the Executive Principal’s Report for details.

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**YEAR 7 SPORT ELECTIVE**

Our Year 7 students have been enjoying their new Sport elective. It is great to see that all students are wearing correct sport uniform with appropriate footwear for all PE and sport related activities. Remember your hats in Term 1 & 4!
Executive Principal’s Report

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Many thanks to the vast majority of parents for their support and patience as we progressively manage the changes to our traffic management systems around the College. The following information explains some of the problems we are currently managing:

Albert Avenue Entrance

The current entrance is restricted in size due to the position of the construction fence which is structured to provide a gate allowing pedestrian access to the site. This arrangement will remain until the bus access works on Albert Avenue have been completed.

The bus access works have been delayed due to the depth of a high voltage cable in the works area. This will either have to be lowered further into the ground or the surrounding area built up. The response from the power company is dictating the timeline and progress of these works.

Once these bus works have been completed, we will install our new boundary fence which will expand the size of the entrance driveway and hopefully make entry and access a little easier.

Please note that in the near future a sign will be installed which will limit the extent of parking down the side of the entrance. As those who have tried to exit in the afternoons will know, the narrowing of the drive makes two way passing virtually impossible. I will continue to manage the exit in the afternoons in the interim.

In the meantime please follow the guidelines below:

- **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO TURN RIGHT INTO ALBERT AVENUE WHEN EXITING.** This creates delays for everyone and increases the risks of accidents occurring. It is quite simple to turn left and then turn left again to access Rangeview Rd and link up with Boronia Rd.

- **DO NOT PARK IN THE DESIGNATED DISABLED PARKING SPACES**

- Watch out for pedestrians crossing the front entrance of the driveway both before and after school.

- When dropping students off in the morning, drop them outside the front entrance and then either leave or go and park elsewhere. We want students on the footpath and off the driveway as quickly as possible.

- If possible, pick up your son / daughter a little later than 3.30, for instance, at 3.45pm. By this stage, the volume of traffic has eased somewhat.

- If you are in a queue to enter or exit please remain patient.

Rangeview Road Entrance

We now expect the works planned for early in the new year to proceed as planned. This will involve sealing the entire drop off area and having a partially indented drop off zone with greater free space between the cars and the pedestrians on the footpath.

**DO NOT PARK IN THE DROP OFF ZONE IN RANGEVIEW ROAD BETWEEN 8.15AM AND 9.15AM.**

PARENTS’ CLUB

As mentioned last week, the Annual General Meeting for the Boronia K-12 Parents' Club will be held on Monday 24 February at 9.30am. The venue will be the Staff Room at the Rangeview Campus. Nominations for the positions of President, Vice President and Secretary have been called for and voting for these positions via a secret ballot will take place during the meeting. Nomination forms are included in this week’s Newsletter and should be submitted to the General Office by no later than 4.00pm on Monday 24 February. Please note the change of date. Only paid up members will be eligible to vote. Membership is $1.00. The Parents’ Club plays a vital role in our College not only to raise funds for specific College projects but also to enrich the experiences our students are offered throughout the year. Being involved in the Parents’ Club is one way to be actively involved in the life of the College and is a great way to meet other parents. Please consider joining this group!

*Ross Bevege*

*Executive Principal*
Out of Bounds Areas

There are certain areas of the College that are out of bounds for students because the area is potentially unsafe; there is no staff supervision and/or limited visibility hence the need to restrict student use of these areas. Areas include the space behind the Science Centre, the Middle Years Learning Neighbourhood and the Performing Arts Centre. The area behind the Science Centre is our storage space for bikes. At the moment this is not secure but in the very near future a fence will be constructed at the SW end of the Science building, creating a secure storage area for bikes. Arrangements will be published once the area is secured outlining the procedures for students wishing to ride to and from school. If any student is found behind these buildings they will be expected to attend a Community Service session after school on Friday afternoon until 4.00pm. Parents will be notified with a phone call and a note.

Once our other buildings are complete further areas will be out of bounds and this information will be clearly communicated to the students to avoid any confusion. Obviously the staff car park is out of bounds and any students found damaging or removing items from staff cars will be punished severely. Students need to walk on the path and not between or around the cars.

Staff Absence

Unfortunately Mr Birrell has been on unavoidable personal leave for the past week. We hope he is back with us shortly. Every effort has been made to ensure his students have work to continue on with and qualified teachers to take his classes. We wish him all the best.

A Sun Smart School

We need parent support to ensure their children wear hats in Term 1 and Term 4 when involved in outside activities. Reasonably priced hats are available in the General Office for purchase. We all know the statistics in Australia relating to the increased prevalence of skin cancer and melanoma. It is important to teach your children the sun smart message when they are young so they can hopefully avoid major health issues in adulthood.

Kate Harnetty

Rangeview Campus Principal

2013 End of Year Reports

There are still a number of student reports in the office awaiting collection. If you have not seen the report, please ask your child to collect it before contacting the College. Students in Senior Years are reminded that you will need your report for a range of purposes in the future, so please collect your report and store it safely.

Attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality at school goes hand in hand with academic success and it is most important that students attend every day, except in the case of a genuine reason such as illness. If a child regularly misses learning time it has a huge impact on their understanding of curriculum and their ability to perform at their best. Appointments should be made out of school hours wherever possible and other days out shopping, etc, should be undertaken in holidays or at the weekend. In the event of extended illness or an extended family holiday during the term, please contact your child’s Mentor Teacher so we can complete an absence learning plan and provide suitable work. Encourage your child to select a ‘study buddy’ or friend who can collect work for your child in cases of short term absence. It is important to notify us as early as possible on the day of a student absence, and we have a dedicated line for this purpose. To notify us of a student absence, please ring 9760 4900 then choose the appropriate menu option.

Uniform

The majority of students are in uniform and looking splendid! For those who are not quite there yet, please attend to this as soon as possible, or contact me if you are experiencing difficulties.

Student Photos

Photos of all students will be taken on Monday 24 February. You will receive information regarding this soon. Students must be in full uniform, neat, no piercings or obvious jewellery! Please assist by ensuring your child comes to school in correct uniform on the day.

Judy Triffett

Mount View Campus Principal
What’s on in VCAL

It has been a busy and productive start to 2014 in VCAL. There are two classes again – Foundation/Intermediate and Senior/Intermediate – bursting at the seams with enthusiastic students who have started working very well.

We have a few students new to the school – Jacob 11V and Brayden 10V, and Alanna 10V has returned after being at another school for the past 18 months. Bec 12V has transferred over from VCE with a renewed focus on a different senior pathway.

The VCAL team of teachers has grown too. We welcome Ms Jedda Mahler (Literacy Skills); Ms Sandy Johnstone (Numeracy Skills) and Mr Gavin Pohlen (Work Related Skills) as well as the return of Mr Tim Knowles (Work Related Skills) and Ms Sandra Kimpton (Literacy Skills).

Student of the Week Awards

Week 1: David 10V

In a strong field of nominations, David was selected for his contribution to class discussions; completion of work in all classes; pleasant and polite manner with teachers and classmates; enthusiasm towards class and close attention he pays to teacher presentations and instructions.

Congratulations David!

The nominations for Week 2 are underway.

Swimming Sports

One of the first PDS/WRS tasks is for VCAL students to undertake an assistant’s role on the day – helping out with officials at the college’s Swimming Sports – reports on their progress will follow.

John Gove

VCAL Coordinator
If I were Principal for the Day

Last Friday the 1/2 students had a very special visitor to their building - Ms Harnetty! She read them a story and had a talk about all her jobs around the school. Then the 1/2s wrote about what they would do if they were Principal for the day!

Here are some of their responses:

‘If I was principal for the day I would make sure everyone was okay and finished their work on time’.

Charlie

‘If I were principal for the day I would clean up the yard and check on the classrooms’.

Tyson

‘If I were principal for the day I would order people to get me coffee and let the students run free’.

Zack B

‘If I were principal for the day I would make sure everyone was being good, make people get me coffee, exercise, help kids with homework and teach a class’.

Will

‘If I were Principal for the day I would make the canteen free. If I were Principal for the day I would give everyone a trip to America. If I were Principal for the day I would give everyone an iPod touch 5’.

Jet

‘If I were principal for the day I would say “free food and drinks” and I would say “go home whenever you want”. I would make sure everyone was okay and being good and I would let students do whatever they like’.

Ethan

‘If I were principal for the day I would make sure everyone was good and I will learn everyone’s name and I will give everyone a present’.

Luke

‘If I were principal for the day I would buy an ice cream truck and a snow machine and help my students’.

Ryan

‘If I were principal for the day I would make play-time go on forever. I would also give out free sushi. If I were principal for the day I would go and look at everyone’s classroom. I would also make everyone have a big water fight’.

Jarrah

‘If I was principal for the day I would say “free food and drinks” and I would say “go home whenever you want”. I would make sure everyone was okay and being good and I would let students do whatever they like’.

Bella

‘If I were principal for the day I would give everyone frozen water on hot days. I would go on the monkey bars’.

Amelia
Each year the Knox Festival conducts a series of art projects involving professional artists and young people from our local Primary and Secondary schools. The aim of these projects is to showcase the creative talent of Knox’s young people, provide a public platform for them to exhibit their work within their locale, and to give them the experience of working with individuals from the Arts industry. Year 7 art students in Monday’s class were able to work alongside Melbourne artist Julian Clavijo who hand made the masks for the ‘Unmasked’ Knox Art installation project. Students are creating personalised masks for the exhibition that will be on display in the upcoming weeks at the local council!

Miss Karpathiou
Middle & Senior Years Art Teacher

Year 7 Art

Parents’ Club AGM

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Nomination Form for Executive Positions with the Boronia K-12 College Parents’ Club

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I, ________________________________________________ am willing to accept this nomination:

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

School Council Election

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Boronia K-12 College. Nomination forms may be obtained from the General Office at both Campuses and must be lodged by **4.00 pm on Monday 24 February, 2014.**

If required, a ballot will be called for and close at **4.00 pm on Friday 7 March, 2014.**

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

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If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

**Ross Bevege**

*Executive Principal*

**SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION PROCESS AND TIMETABLE**

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