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NEWSLETTER NO 9

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians

I would like to congratulate all our students in Years 8 to 12 for conducting themselves in an exemplary manner in the Semester One examination program. The program was extremely well organised by Assistant Principal Keith Perry. The examination process provided students with the opportunity to show what they had learned in the previous semester of study. It also provided students with valuable experience in sitting examinations. No one would argue against the proposition that 'practice makes perfect'. Well done students!

I would also like to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of our teaching staff at this time. Finalising Semester One assessments, correction of examinations, writing semester reports and preparing lessons for the new semester make for a very demanding period of time for our teachers. I have no hesitation in commending our staff on their dedication and commitment to their professional duties.

I'm very pleased to inform you that the **Council of International Schools (CIS) Five Year Visit** went very smoothly last week from 22 to 25 May. Our two visitors Ray Davis from CIS and Linda Lyons from Bendigo Senior College worked tirelessly to validate our Five Year Report. A very large number of staff, students and the School Council President, David Denny, were interviewed as part of this process. Before departing on Friday afternoon the visitors met with the Principal Team and passed on some very positive feedback. I have since received a copy of the **final Five Year Report** which I will table at Council. I have also attached a copy of the summary of conclusions to this report.

As we approach the end of Term Two, I would like to wish all students and staff a safe and enjoyable winter break!

Michael Muscat
Principal

July	
15th	Day 1 of Term 3
16th	Year 8 and Year 9 Parent Information Evening 7.30pm IMAC
16th	Year 9 into Year 10 Information Evening 6pm IMAC
17th	Year 9 to Year 10 Course Direction Interviews (No Year 9 Classes) more information attached
17th	Year 10 into Year 11 subject expo more information attached
17th	Later Years Parent Information Evening 6.30pm Berwick Church of Christ
29th— 2nd Aug	Year 9 City Program, Gwonawa & Mirrim
30th— 2nd Aug	Year 10 Course Direction Meetings
30th— 2nd Aug	Year 7 Forest Edge Camp
August	
5th—9th	Year 9 City Program—Bulen & Waring
16th	Professional Development Day— STUDENT FREE DAY
28th	Parent Teacher Conferences— STUDENT FREE DAY

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Exiting Students

Please be advised that any student exiting from school (intending to leave) must complete formal exit paperwork. Parents are invited to seek further information from Ms Shirley Bell in the front office.

Year 8 into Year 9 News

Tuesday 16th July – Year 9 Parent/Student Information Evening – 7.30pm – IMAC centre

All parents and students are strongly encouraged to attend this important information evening. A thorough explanation of the Year 9 program and their links to the Later Years will be provided. Senior VCE/VCAL coordinators and your child's sub-school leaders will be available to answer any queries and assist you and your child to make the most informed decisions.

Year 9 into Year 10 News

The following information outlines the Year 9 into Year 10 2014 course selection process. Letters and interview times were sent home with Year 9 students on Thursday 20th June.

Monday 15th July – Year Level Assembly – Period 5 – Theatre

All students will receive hard copies of the *Year 10 Course Direction Handbook* which explains the pathways and subjects available. This handbook will be available on the website from Friday 28th June. Students will also receive their Course Selection Forms at this assembly.

Tuesday 16th July – Year 10 Parent/Student Information Evening – 6:00pm – IMAC centre

All parents and students are strongly encouraged to attend this important information evening. A thorough explanation of the Year 10 pathways and their links to the Later Years will be provided. Senior VCE/VCAL coordinators and your child's sub-school leaders will be available to answer any queries and assist you and your child to make the most informed decisions.

Wednesday 17th July – Year 10 Course Direction Interviews – By appointment – IMAC centre

Each student/parent has been assigned an interview time (attached). Unfortunately these times are not negotiable. All students should attend, and parents are strongly encouraged to accompany them. These discussions will be facilitated by your child's sub-school leader and will include a holistic examination of his/her progress and learning data. Based on your child's interests, Sub-school Leaders will provide guidance regarding the most suitable pathways/subjects. There will be no Year 9 classes scheduled to run on this day. Students need only attend for their interview. A supervised study hall will be provided for those students who require supervision. In exceptional circumstances where the parent and child are unable to attend, a telephone conference may be facilitated. Please contact your child's sub-school leader in advance.

Thursday 18th July - Friday 26th July

All Course Selection Forms **must** be returned during this period. Students who fail to do so will miss out on their preferred courses for 2014.

Year 10 into Year 11 News

The following information outlines the Year 10 into Year 11 2014 course selection process. Letters were sent home with Year 9 students on Thursday 20th June.

Monday 15th July – Period 1 – Theatre

All Year 10 students will receive a formal introduction to the Later Years and an overview of the course selection process. Students will receive the '*Kambrya College 2014 Later Years Handbook*' which outlines all VCE subjects, VCAL pathways and other pertinent information. This booklet is designed to assist students and parents to complete the '*2014 Course Enrolment*' form which will also be provided. Students will also be provided with a letter advising you of their scheduled appointment time for their Course Direction Interviews.

Wednesday 17th July – 9:00am-2:30pm – Theatre

VCE/VCAL/VET expo at school. All students must bring their handbooks and a pen

Wednesday 17th July – 6:30pm-8:00pm

Later Years Information Evening, Berwick Church of Christ, Centre Rd

All parents and students should attend this important event. Domain Leaders and Later Years subject teachers will be in attendance to answer any queries.

Tuesday 23rd July

All course selection forms **MUST** be submitted to the careers office. Failure to do so will jeopardise subject selections. The Later Years Leadership team will cross reference student selections against their data/reports and their intended careers to determine if the selected pathways are appropriate.

Tuesday 30th July to Friday 2nd August

Compulsory Course Direction Appointments: each student will have a private appointment to go through their selections and ensure they have selected an appropriate pathway.

Parents are strongly encouraged to attend if possible.