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50 GREAT YEARS

Kerrie Dowsley

Planning a party to celebrate a special event can be very stressful: what sort of celebration? Where and when? Who is to be invited? Will they turn up? Will it be successful? And so it was with some nervousness, but also with a great deal of anticipation and energy, that almost two years ago, the planning began for the 50th Anniversary of St Albans Secondary College.

Under the leadership of Gael Meadowcroft and Stella Hunter, the Planning Committee was established. This group of dedicated, enthusiastic former students, spanning each of the school's five decades, laughed, argued and reminisced their way through hours of meetings, researched the history of the school, contacted classmates, and created a wonderful celebration that far surpassed even the most positive committee member's expectations of success.

On Sunday 21st May almost one thousand past and current students, staff parents and community members visited the school. They shared photos and stories about their time at St Albans Secondary College and their lives since, rekindled friendships, acknowledge achievements, and promised to keep in touch. It was a fitting, and truly humbling recognition of the importance of this school in the lives of so many individuals, as well as in the community of St Albans. It was also a real tribute to the significance of teachers in the lives of their students. I heard many stories on that day and since about the positive often life-shaping, influence that the

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teachers of St Albans Secondary College have been for their students. It was wonderful to see the commitment, expertise and dedication of the staff so publicly and overwhelmingly appreciated. And at a time when government schools have been criticised for not contributing sufficiently to the value of education, the 50th Anniversary demonstrated very clearly the value held by this community: friendship, loyalty, support for each other, recognition of achievement, and the great diversity of our great school. It was a very special day, one that made many of us feel very proud and fortunate, not only to be teachers, but to be part of St Albans Secondary College. Like all successful reunions, the 50th was also forward looking: plans are well underway for the establishment of an alumni association to harness and build on the community capacity that was strengthened as a result of the 50th Anniversary.

This year, many new teachers joined the staff of St Albans Secondary College, and we also welcomed several people to the support staff team. So, at the same time as we celebrated the school's history, the new staff, many of them new to teaching, brought with them a sense of renewal and of expanded possibilities for the future of education. Their eagerness, enthusiasm and aspirations have been infectious, and we have all benefited and learnt from working with them this year.

Change has also been evident in the physical appearance of the school. Whilst it is by no means the most significant factor, the quality of the physical environment certainly has an impact on students' learning. From the improved appearance and safety of the front entrance, to new seating

and garden areas, renovated classrooms, healthier menu options and improved service at the canteen, greater access to ICT through the provision of class sets of laptops, to the frequent sight of students working on environmental projects, the school's commitment to providing a high quality learning environment is increasingly evident.

The involvement of students in these changes has been an important part of their success, and this is certainly something that the school will work to develop and strengthen next year.

As I write this, the Year 12's have finished formal classes and are preparing for their examinations. On behalf of all of the staff, I would like to congratulate them on their contribution to the school, and on their personal, sporting and academic achievements, individually and as a group, over the last six years. I wish each one of you all the very best for your future.

To all of the students, - you are St Albans Secondary College, and what makes it such a special place in which to work. Each week, replacement teachers, student teachers and members of the community tell us how wonderful our students are, and that we don't know how lucky we are to work with you. Well, they are right, and we do know it. Thank you.

To all of the staff for your commitment to the students and to giving them the very best educational opportunities. And to our parents, thank you for the support you give your children and us, and for valuing education. You certainly make our work easier and more enjoyable. Thank you also to Gael Meadowcroft and Ian Crocker for their leadership and support as Assistant Principals. Ian joined the team after the retirement in August of our Principal, Karen Moore after a distinguished career of over 30 years in education.

Finally, I would like to thank the School Councillors and president, Andy Kratsis, for their work on behalf of the school community in constantly striving to further to improve the breadth and quality of education for our students.

The 2006 Year Book is a celebration of the people, programs, special events, and achievements of the St Albans Secondary College students and staff this year. It is a tribute to the richness and diversity of experiences offered at the school, of the extra effort put in by so many people, and of the enjoyment and challenges of another year, learning and working together.

I hope you enjoy reading it. Congratulations to the Year Book Team on an excellent magazine.

Kerrie Dowsley Acting Principal



KAREN MOORE RETIRES



After several years at our school. Our Principal Karen Moore is retiring. We will miss her leadership and her strength. She started many initiatives and supported students 100%. We have fond memories of her open door and openness to help and encourage. Those who know her well, know her tenacity and courage to persevere in her quest to better education for students, despite adversity. She is truly a Superwoman!

A student reflects about Karen, who supported their team to the national championships to Queensland and for some to represent Australia in Brazil. Over the past three/four years Karen Moore has made an amazing contribution to the St.Albans Secondary College Community and its Futsal/Soccer team. During this time Ms. Moore has helped the team in numerous ways, she has always been generous with her time and knowledge and

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offered her assistance, wherever possible, no matter how busy she has been Ms. Moore helped the team gain sponsorships, writing letters and endorsing the team. Ms. Moore went out of her way to assist a team member to obtain a scholarship to that enabled her to travel overseas in pursuit of her sporting goals.

Karen always supported the girl's futsal and soccer team and encouraged team members to follow their sporting and academic dreams. The girls would like to thank Ms.Moore for all her valuable time and effort. Without her support many of the team's accomplishments would not have been possible.

THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

The APs support the principal in driving the school. They manage everything from budgets to the maintenance of facilities. It has been a particularly challenging year with Karen's retirement and the introduction of a new curriculum and restructure for the school. And they're still smiling...



Assistant Principals Ian Crocker and Gael Meadowcroft



STAFF 2006

Seated Row: Bev Davies, Nicole Duck, Laura Gough, Thu Tran, Trish Keating, Denise Kirton, Ray Amos, Korrie Dowdsley, Karen Moore, Gael Meadowcroft, Sumita Kaitkala, Mario Orsini, Janne Stephens, Diane Simpson, Miranda Tsoung, Stephanie Leontiadis, Lynne Leitch
 Second Row: Marg Kakol, Cinzia Cunningham, Rina Namos, Rosemary Sinanni, Thach Ly, Maria Oddo, Nick D'Aglas, Lynne Borke, Andrea Miller, Joe De-Gabriele, Nora Tchekmeqyan, Ruth Hodgson, Rose Johnson, Louise Talevska, Angela Belic, Lynette French, Sue Brown, Pam Kennohan
 Third Row: Bev Godfrey, Hazel Paloudis, Naomi Thyer, Danielle North, Eileen Keating, Robert Luk, Sandra Faoro, Cameron Beale, Joanna Lavell, Athina Kratsis, Kellie McBean, Leonie McGarron, Mark Mikaliel, Andria Pantiell, Effie Goulas, Athan Theodorou, Pauline Farrugia
 Fourth Row: Suzi Jesevski, Norm Webb, Meaghan Hocking, Nancy Coppolino, Suzi Livesay, Rosemary Bamberg, Marion Mortimer, Carolyn Learmonth, John Myers, Cathy Armstrong, Jon Kortuem, Liz Hedger, Stella Hunter, Wiki Lehmann, Gloria Masonic, Melissa D'Amico
 Fifth Row: Judith Simpson, Robert Macbeth, Vernon Hardie, Glensy Stevens, Irish Lowe, Michael Bowden, Stewart Fraser, Star Bekaris, Dorothy Coleman, Andrea Federico, Beverly Smith, Graham Twist, Chris Yuan, Samantha Boucher, Kevin Monteiro
 Sixth Row: Alfred Hickey, Judy Blum, Nigel Barr, Peter Sinclair, Robert Krynski, Derek Newsome, Phil McMillan, Andrew McCarter, Loue Traianou, Les Chapman, Surjeet Singh, Gerard Uhl
 Seventh Row: Brian Mundy, Simon Lynch, Robert Lakorski, Ian Crocker, Rod Bear, Craig Jennings, Cain Sidon, Maelor Himbury, Simon Garaj

NEWSTAFF

Teaching Staff

Kellie Allen	Leading Teacher/ Assessment & Learning
Angela Belic	SOSE/English
Samantha Boucher:	English
Nancy Coppolino	Science/Mathematics
Simon Garaj	Science/Mathematics
Vernon Hardie	SOSE
Alfred Hickey	Graphics/Multimedia/Photography/ Wood Tech/Visual Communication & Design, Publications Coordinator
Meaghan Hocking	Health and Physical Education
Sunita Katikala	ESL Bridging Support
John Kerns	Maths/Science
Joanna Lavell	Voice Teacher
Thach Ly	Mathematics/Physics
Simon Lynch	Physical Education
Robert MacBeth	Science/Mathematics
Kevin Monteiro	English
Danielle North	English/ESL
Naomi Thyer	English/SOSE
Deanna Wittal	IS
Jacobus De Jong	Science/Maths

Non Teaching Support Staff

Deng Juach	Multicultural Aide
Kristy Wiese	Youth Worker
Daniella Palumbo	Laboratory Assistant
Belinda Foreman	Individual Needs
Rachael Van Keulen	Individual Needs
Pauline Farrugia	Individual Needs
Stacey McKercher	Individual Needs
Diane Simpson	Individual Needs
Adin Strang	School Nurse
Theo Byard	Grounds/ Waste Management
Pam Loughnane	Psychologist
Betty Evtimovski	Psychologist
Suzi Josevski	Speech Pathologist



There is nothing like the challenge of lawn bowls to bring out one's vulnerable rookie side



Sam (The Maharani of the West) and Maharaja Paul tie the knot Bollywood style



The office, always in action



The library's rosy Rosie



The network and computers die without Derek



Wendy's welfare team will help

SCHOOL SERVICES OFFICER

School services officers make a valuable contribution to the lives and interests of children through their contribution to school administration and operations and through direct support to teachers and students in the delivery of educational programs. An environment where the contribution that a school services officer makes to the education of children and the life of a school is recognised, school expectations are clearly stated, and professional development objectives and priorities are effectively identified is essential in positively influencing the professional growth and development of school services officers.

SSO positions are diverse and cover the delivery of support services that include school administration and operations (e.g. human resources, finance, facilities, grounds maintenance), school support services (e.g. library, laboratory, information technology, out of school care, canteen), direct teaching and student support (e.g. classroom assistance to teachers, careers counselling, student health and wellbeing).

The School Administration members provide invaluable support to the Principal Class and staff in general. They are often the 'first point of contact' for our parents and visitors from the wider community providing information and support with a friendly smile. The college's record keeping and processing of relevant documentation is all handled by this hard working team.

Our Welfare Team, including a psychologist, health promotion nurse and a youth worker, complements the work of the Sub Schools through a range of classroom, small group and individualised programs to meet the requirements and interests of teenagers. Our Whole School Approach to welfare and discipline, together with an emphasis on social skills programs, support young people in their development into caring and socially responsible adults.

The Individual Needs program supports the learning needs of students who require special support to achieve their potential. SSO's provide personal classroom support for students and teachers writing modified work programs as well as assisting students in their classrooms.

The library delivers its curriculum support with the assistance of SSO's who catalogue and maintain the library texts, provide technical support for staff using the various audio-visual equipment, run special literacy support activities like Book Week, provide lunchtime activities for students and supervise student use of the library.

The college's intranet and IT facilities get specialised treatment from our SSO technician, we couldn't survive without it.



SRC

Ha Phan

Much of the effort of the SRC has been put into our fundraisers. We have raised over \$500 for women in under developed societies. Our fund raising efforts for World Vision's 40 Hour Famine raised over \$2000.

We raised over \$500 for the State Schools Relief Fund through student casual wear during Youth Week.

On behalf of the SRC I would like to thank all students and staff for supporting our events, special thanks go to Miss. Eileen Keating and Miss, Glenys Stevens for their hard work and commitment.



The Senior SRC 2006... Girls clearly mature quicker than boys ?

YEARBOOK

Yearbook involves the dedication of many people sourcing, creating, editing, preparing, designing laying out, proofing and preparing content for print.



The year 10 photography class took photographs that grace the yearbook's pages

Mr.Crocker, Mr.Hickey, Nick, Huy Nguyen and Vincent Lum put the yearbook together, working with the whole school, advanced graphics software and good design skills. In yearbook students learn about design and production in a real context.



Ian
The Machine
Crocker



Hickey
The Grindstone



Nick
The Keymaster



Vincent
The
Omnipresent



Huy
The Brains

50s The Wild West

Main Road East was a very dusty place in the 50s. When the initial school building was complete, it was surrounded by paddocks and farms



60s Rebels & Growth

The 60s were characterised by rebels and St Albans was one of the most ethnically diverse populations in Melbourne



70s A Rethink

Uniform is abandoned and MAC established



90s Over 50 Nationalities

Community respect for the school increases as it achieves



Fifty
OUR EXCITING HISTORY

The first assembly



80s Infrastructure

Infrastructure and Welfare developed in the school. The school has a gymnasium, canteen and performing arts centre



2000 and Beyond

New learning strategies, facilities and promoting St Albans Secondary School Overseas



國際學生部

服務及支持

學習文化知識

VCE 高中課程

50th Anniversary Dinner

With food, friends and nostalgia, the fiftieth anniversary will be remembered for a long time

Fifty



50th Anniversary Open Day





50th Anniversary Cafe



Thanks to the Year 11 Food & Technology students who came to work in 2½ hour shifts in the kitchen & dining room. We were extremely busy all day. We served over 250 Devonshire teas & coffees, making around 30 batches of scones & washing the mugs more than 10 times each! Everyone worked very hard – whether it was making scones or coffee, taking orders & serving our customers or washing dishes. Well done, everyone! Special thanks to Angela Cini [VCAL] & Lisa Huynh [Year 12] who worked solidly for 6 hours – we wouldn't have coped so well without you both. It was very stimulating but tiring day as we worked at full speed all the time to keep up with demand!



JUNIORSCHOOL



David Russell

The Junior School have once again been involved in a range of activities this year. The coordination team have focused on student well being where a particular emphasis has been placed on healthy living. Several activities such as a fresh fruit day run by the Fruit & Vegetable Market along with other class events have hopefully contributed to a better understanding of their well being.

The Year 7 excursion to Mt Macedon in term 3 gave students the opportunity to appreciate the countryside while learning about its historical and scientific aspects.

Year 8 students participated in an 11 km return walk to Brimbank Park. This was the most challenging walk experienced by most students but their enthusiasm seemed to surpass the soreness of the following day. The students were very keen to do more of the same thing!

All Year 7 classes started the year with a series of Commonwealth Games celebrations at the school. The IS teachers were instrumental in adjusting the curriculum to incorporate this once in a lifetime opportunity

It is exciting to see enthusiastic students from the Junior School taking lead roles in the annual school play (MAC). Their commitment to this production cannot be praised highly enough.

This year the Junior School again provided programmes to help students better cope with some of the difficulties associated with school life. The Anti-Bullying workshops presented by visiting theatre groups reinforced the school's policies on bullying and sexual harassment.

The Year 7 Zoo excursion in term 4 supported the Science program. Students studied aspects of classification which provided students with hands on experience of unique animal species. The knowledge gained from these events is generally built on in later years at school.

The school greatly appreciates the time and effort the Class & Vice-Captains put in representing their classes. This year students have taken turns in assisting the running of assemblies and providing support to the coordinators. This role will be expanded further next year.

Thanks also to the excellent staff in the Junior Sub School who have made this year such a rewarding one.

Junior Sub School Coordinators

David Russell

Louie Traianou

Nigel Tarr (Terms 1, 2 & 3)

Anna Woods (Terms 3 & 4)

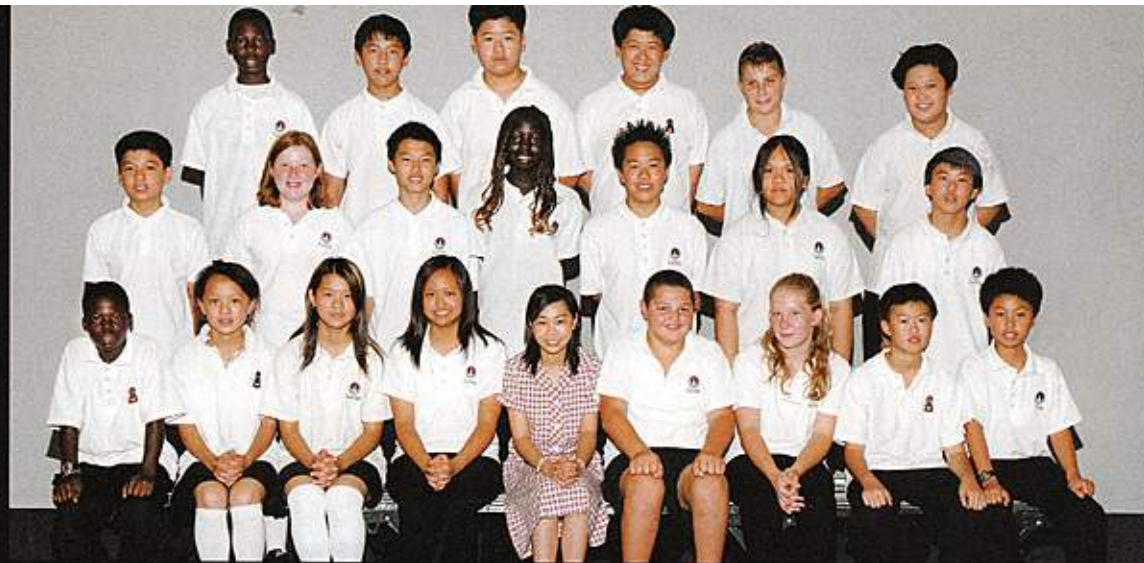
Laura Gough (Term 1 & 2)

Alfred Hickey (Term 2 & 3)

Stephanie Leontiades (Term 4)

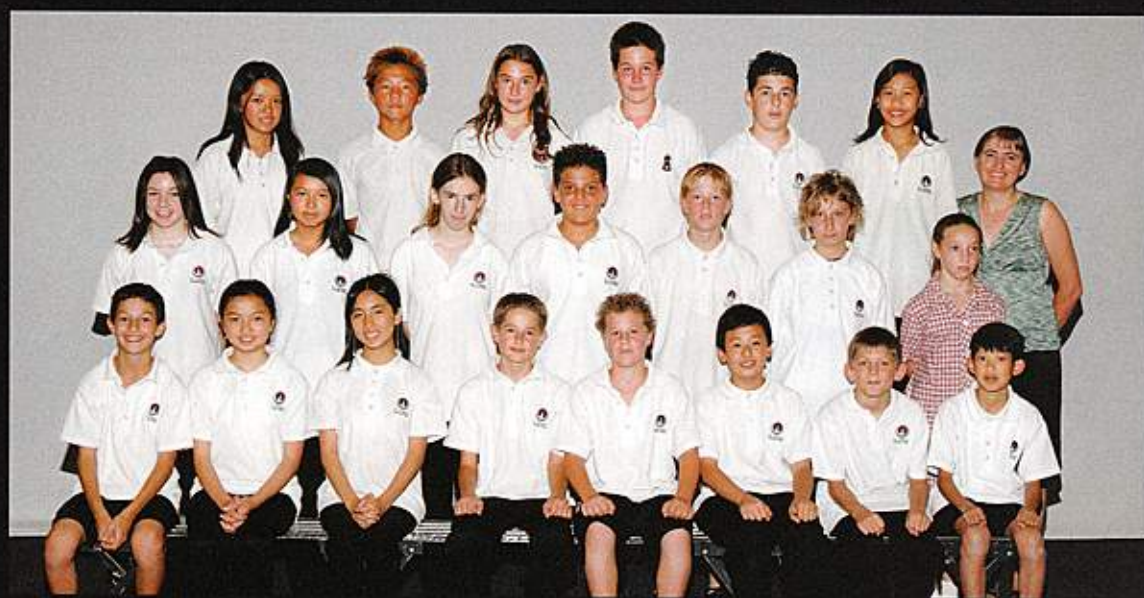


The junior school was on show to prospective students and parents at open night



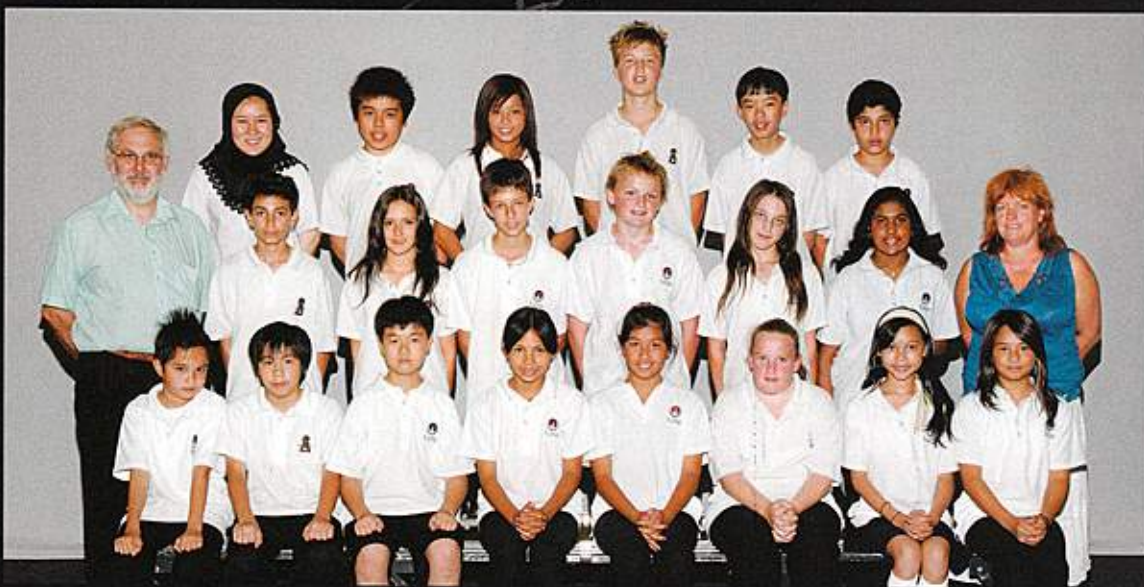
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Seated Row: Brian Opiyo, Vivian Truong, Janet Tran, Kim Ngo, Shelley Liang, Joseph Vella, Monica Harris-Wain, Tommy Dang, Frank Nguyen
 Second Row: Martin Nguyen, Rochelle Watts, Toan Lam, Adeng Chol, Tinh Ho, Anne Diep, Benson Lay
 Third Row: Kir Judet, Giang Nguyen, Viet Nguyen, Danny Nguyen, Milosh Kalajdzic, Hung Trinh



7.2

Seated Row: Jason Obeid, Y Trinh, Maria Le, Anto Grancic, Adam Balchan, Jony Pinto, Patrick Catania, Robert Nguyen
 Second Row: Ebony Bonello, Trang Vo, Monica Veljanovska, David Todaro, Dylan Beljon, Chloe Ballard, Samantha Johns
 Third Row: Tracey Tang, Cheng Lee, Kelly Kennedy, Kieran Tait, Vasko Kabrovski, Ashley Nguyen



7.3

Seated Row: Den Rasher Villar, Vuong Ta, Trevor Phan, Diana Ramirez-Ruiz, Sharmaine Dumandan, Rebekah Warren, Tracey Nguyen, Steph Clark
 Second Row: Ozer Gurpinar, Emily Simoes, Daniel Stetcu, Cody Watson, Donna Vassallo, Nafisa Sanim
 Third Row: Marzia Danesh, Peter Truong, Stephanie Diep, Sejdalija Spljodic, Wayne Thai, Daryosh Anvari
 Absent: Charlie Nguyen

7.4



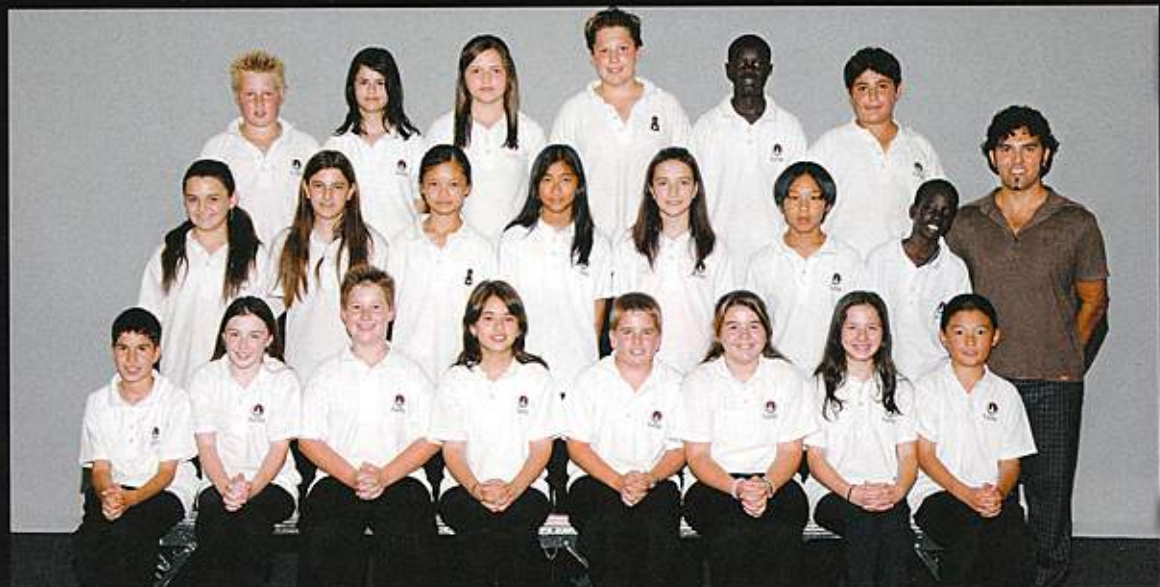
Seated Row: Paul Catania, Anthony Mustica, Bobby Doan, Ebony Gatt, Michael Cargorski, Shantelle Cini, Stacey Stanford, Owen Hamilton
Second Row: Ashley Griffiths, Uprendra Chand, Tracey Grech, Rachel Watson, Alex Apostolides, Rosalie Mustica, Allison Gatt
Third Row: James Troncoso, Jake Chartomatsidis, Heward Shahpoor, Adrian Rustemovski, Rolland Andrecia
Absent: Jennifer Jackson, Amela Kandzetovic

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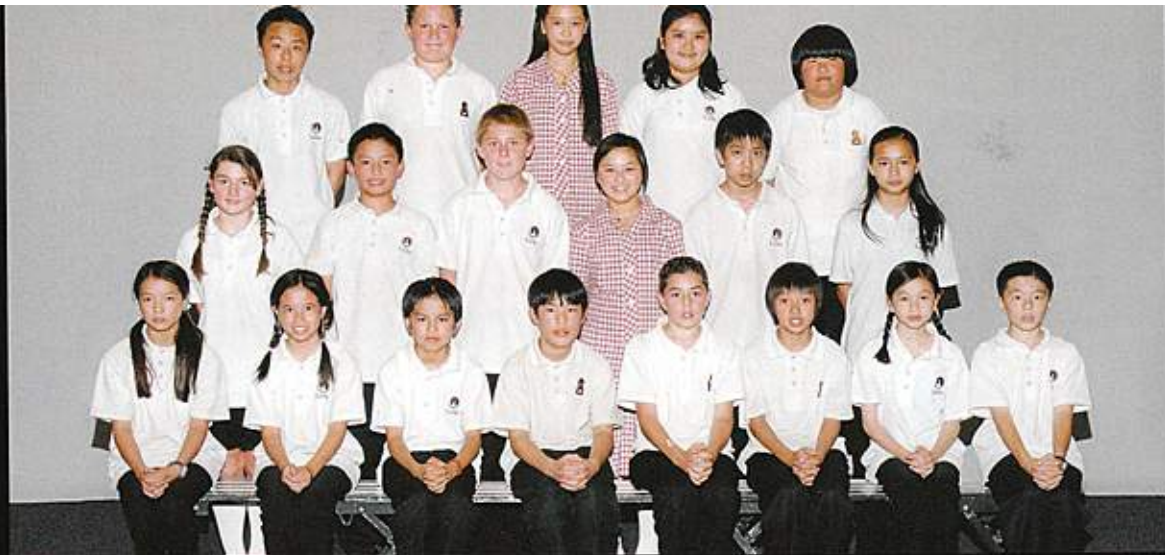


Seated Row: Thu Doan, Rhoann San Jose, Phuc Tran, C.J Tran, Shaine Dumandan, Micheal Le, Napha Nammathao, Aleksandar Spiric
Second Row: Nade Petreska, Akol Akoul, Sayed Attai, Cameron Zammit-Gould, Laura Milosevski, Linh Vuong, Anh Nguyen
Third Row: Daniel Kolevski, Lazar Golijanin, Nicky Tran, Tyson Smith, Vivienne lai, Salwa Waise, Nathan Chau

7.6



Seated Row: Athan Spyridis, Ebony Zahra, Justin Goudge, Rachael Vongkham, Rory Sheehan, Dijana Risteska, Adela Kandzetovic, Huy Tran
Second Row: Nena Samardzija, Yasemin Saydam, Nga Huynh, Patricia Tran, Aleksandra Sungovska, Anthony Nguyen, Agang Akoul
Third Row: Jason McCormack, Rebecca Stefanovska, Brani Maric, Luci Stetco, Mawien Dut, Justin Coleiro
Absent: Maria Mizzi, Dean Oldfield



7.7

Seated Row: Emily Tran, Ngoc Pham, Thanh Vo, Allan Nguyen, Abdul Zeno, Jean Lai, Diana Nguyen, Ronald Huynh
 Second Row: Sabrina Heidrich, Minh Pham, Nicholas Micetic, Jolin Huynh, Sunny Bach, Van Nguyen
 Third Row: Peter Le, Justin Stevens, Kim Nguyen, Linda Le, carmen Luu



7.8

Seated Row: Giang Nguyen, Alan Nguyen, Christian Rodriguez, Nhi Nguyen, Asha Devi, Tony Tran, Abdullahi Mohamed, Kabeer Ishaqzai
 Second Row: Nhung Phan, Sang Dang, Nikolina Hercegovac, Dzenana Hallilovic, Shannen Zammit, Linda Long, Vanessa Nikolovska, Amanda Males
 Third Row: Le-Mi Le, Jade Walsh, Ipsu Ibrahim, Nikki Jelic, Andrew Bui, Leanna Surrao, Randy Do, Fatma Mahamed



8.1

Seated Row: Georgia Artuz, Kirsty Borg, Milica Filipovic, Tijana Radic, Marija Cabraja, Jawal Bechara, Dany Gent, Vanesa Spaseska
 Second Row: Paul Hoang, Lulliano Lulliano, Brooke Taylor-Nund, Sophie Asafo, Fiona Vella, Lina Chau
 Third Row: Esteban Fuentes, Hawee Ibrahim, Chris Dealy, Benjamin Sortino, Jaimee Volkov, Tony Marchione
 Absent: Trent Walker, Sanela Cehic

8.2



Seated Row: Tammy Nguyen, Mi Le, Henry Ma, Jay Amatya, Sarah Isla, Elaine Lang, Kenny Nguyen, Kelly Nguyen, Vivian Ly
 Second Row: Christine Nguyen, Anthony Lam, Kim Le, Quyen Nguyen, Helen Duong, Fabian Kaukasi, Andy Ho, Danmy Tran
 Third Row: Daniel Padin, Thinh Nguyen, Kevin Cook, Doah Jansongkrod, Daniel Sze, Thanh Tang, Huyen Hoang

8.3



Seated Row: Binh Pham, Ivanna Lam, Cass Andrejko, Christina Nguyen, Thuy Pham, Bedia Kisa, Rachel Gatt, Nga Tran, Tai Hu
 Second Row: Abbas Mahamed, Dijiana Chicha, Son Nguyen, Rainer Villar, Tina Dakovic, Bar Bol, Dana Billosillo, Kristina Mom
 Third Row: Tracy Tran, Phu Tran, Huy Nguyen, Andrew Vuong, Roy Bigalbal, Phay Luu, Huyen Tran

8.4



Seated Row: Mi Tran, Jennifer O'Sullivan, Hamida Rashidi, Sai Buntham, Angela David, Brigitte Nguyen, Ashley Marmara, Lin Nguyen, Tanya Tran
 Second Row: Joffre Vuong, Halid Avdic, Brooke Blake, Samantha Spiteri, Krystal Spyrou, Chahid Tannous, Ayen Kut
 Third Row: Chee Vuong, Natasha Gonz, Duy Vo, Michael Manceski, Carl Magri, Yay Mayoum
 Absent: Dominic Ayom



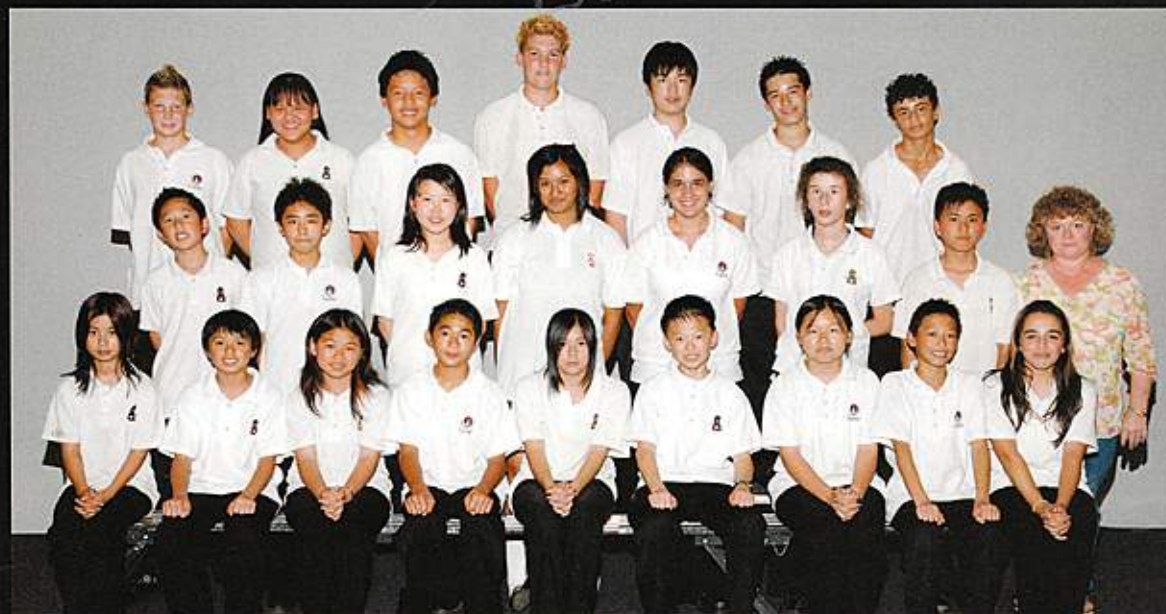
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Seated Row: Ashlee Polidano, Renee Digby, Carmen Ly, Lindita Demiri, Dilek Ozen, Emma Tran, Sanela Hadzikune, Amy Nguyen, Linda Nguyen
 Second Row: Joseph Atem, Vasilios Xenos, Tereza Jerry, Natalie Kaludjerovic, Armia Gundi, Justin Moungaafi, Alisi Faingaanuku
 Third Row: Hai Trinh, Imana Becirovic, Sinisa Djuric, Manjesto Chol, Stefan Cecavac, Sarwet Hussein
 Absent: BJ Rendina



8.6

Seated Row: Yen Ta, Alan Robinson, Vy Nguyen, Andy Lieu, Linda Dinh, Duy Bui, Jennifer La, Enoch Dela Vega, Jennifer Vuong
 Second Row: Sally Le, Ivanka Martinovic, Jessica Nguyen, Achai Deng, Jenna Hales, Tamara Mifsud, Douglas Burgos
 Third Row: John Duong, Adam Vukovic, Huy Pham, Yosra Jamal, Joseph Nguyen, Nhon Ngo, Hilton Thai



8.7

Seated Row: Leena To, Ryan Lam, Amy Cao, Anthony Nguyen, Thuy Le, Michael Wang, Anna Cao, Julian Ha, Caroline Agius
 Second Row: Jason Pho, Dat Truong, Krystal Ha, Kathy Truong, Jessica D'Silva, Victoria Gerzelis, Vincent Guan
 Third Row: Mike Pavlovic, Lisa Le, Wilson Ng, Terry Dyer, Vincent Lum, Neal Cook, Oktay Oztekin
 Absent: Matthew Jones, Tau Lee

MIDDLESCHOOL



Craig Jennings

2006 has been a very successful year for all in the Middle School. It has been very pleasing to see the progress of the Year 10 students during the past 2 years as they progress through the Middle School. We wish them all the best as they move into the Senior School to complete VCE or VCAL next year.

We are also looking forward the current Year 9 students showing leadership next year to the more junior Middle School students.

Students of both Year 9 and 10 have been involved in many activities this year. A number of Year 10 students have again participated in the MAP program (Melbourne Access Program). This program allows students to forge links with Melbourne University through visits to the College by current university students. Students involved this year were Vincent Lam, Monica Lam, Tahnee Hales, Jessica Cabuang, Natalie Tran, Ryan Korytsky, Ly Hoang and Truong Doan.

Once again, SASC had a number of Year 9 students attend the 'Alpine School' for much of Term 3. The students were able to develop their leadership and teamwork skills. The students who attended were Tony Lang (9.2), Peter Ngo (9.2), Peter Huynh (9.1), Cathy Nguyen (9.7) and Bao-Long Du (9.2). They were excellent representatives for our College and we are sure they will contribute greatly throughout next year.

In April, 90 eager Year 9 students attended the 'Melbourne Discovery Camp' for 3 days and 2 nights. Students were able to participate in a range of activities, and really enjoyed the opportunity to see a different side Melbourne.

Our Year 9 students have also been fortunate enough to have worked on 3 occasions with the 'Reach Foundation'. Issues examined included respect, relationships with peers, bullying and self confidence.

On behalf of the Middle School Team, Stav Bekiaris, Joe De Gabriel and Rina Murgo, I would like to thank all of the Middle Year students for their endeavours to make 2006 a successful and memorable year, we wish them all the best of luck in 2007!

Craig Jennings Middle School Leader.

9.1



Seated Row: Kim Loan Nguyen, Fatimah Sheik, Nicole Goudge, Asja Izic, Azra Smajic, Aleksandra Lazarevska, Alana Armstrong, Merry Truong
Second Row: Huy Nguyen, Sina Asafo, Peter Huynh, Loc Nguyen, Elbio Quintela, Suzanne Panecki, Emmanuel Aguar
Third Row: Ben Genardini, Murtaza Danesh, Allan Roze, Alen Kusur, James Le, David Tran

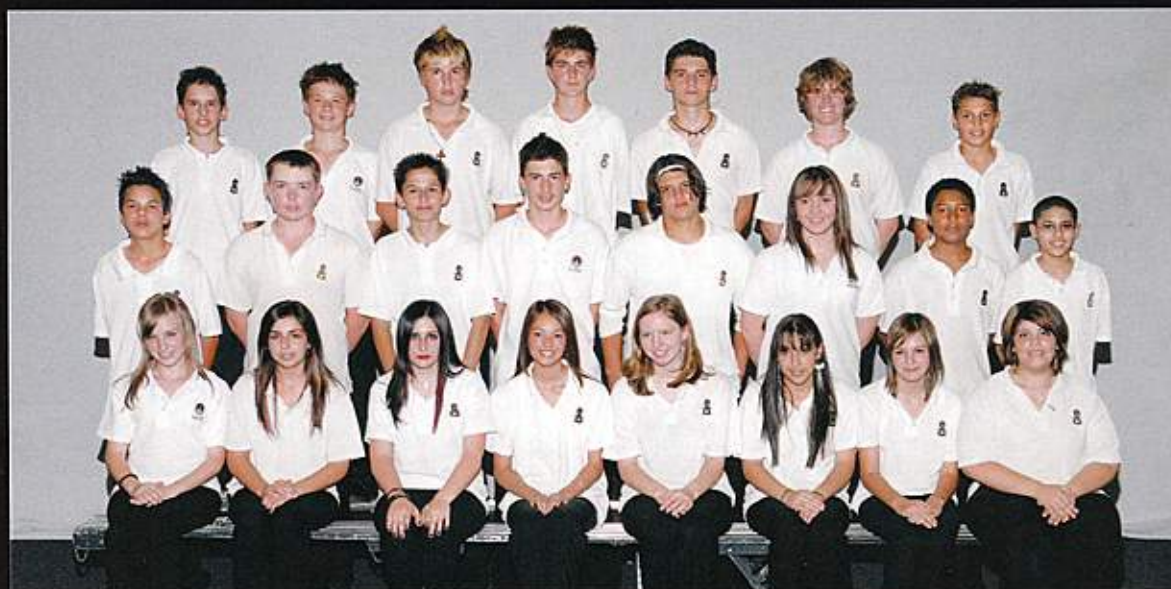


9.2

Seated Row: Trang Vo, Iana Villar, Sanela Zecic, Anna Papak, Jesse Nagy, Danijela Novakovic, Ana Boado, Lidija Poljakovic, Samantha Danskin

Second Row: Justin Langley, Michael Kondoski, Hone Pomare, Bao-Long Du, Matthew Warren, Tony Lang, Philip Trinh, David Do

Third Row: Quyen Nguyen, David Lapworth, Tim Johns, Steven Nikolovski, Kurosh Anvari, Peter Ngo, Isalah San Jose



9.3

Seated Row: Julijana Zlatevska, Jasmine Humanes, Kim Wiltshire, Ly Tran, Jacqui Musiov, Sara Distefano, Ellie Tidswell, Candice Cini

Second Row: Noel Baldacchino, Joshua Fitzpatrick, Albert Rustemovski, Filip Minoski, Michael Daniello, Jessica Radas, Salih Ibrahim, Samuel Bebawi

Third Row: Lindim Shaqiri, Mirsad Kaltak, Stanimir Krajsnik, Semir Custovic, Nikola Grba, Blake Munro, Troy Calleja

Absent: Wendy Dominguez, Dmytro Yarchuk



9.4

Seated Row: Marilyn Orellana, Elly Ali, Allyana Holloway, Samantha Hood, Janelle Hammal, Angelica Xenos, Kylie Lee, Daniella Mamic

Second Row: Rhys Johns, Suzanah Do, Aleksandra Kaludjerovic, Tyler Munro, Paul Truong, Tina Minute, Kire Jonoski, Samantha Griffiths

Third Row: Paul Balchan, Aaron Magri, Jake Watson, Petar Sterjovski, Lee Locke, Paame Afa, Klime Risteski



9.5

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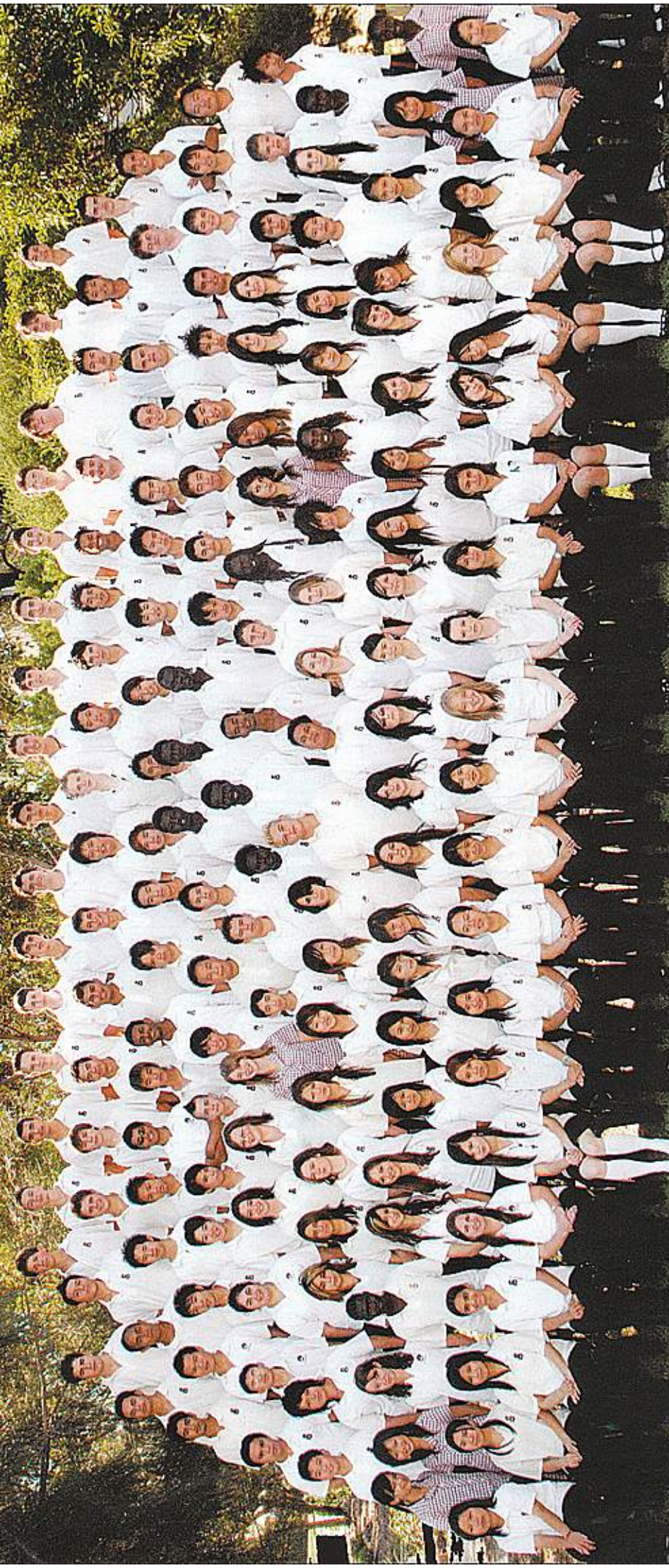
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 Absent: Nathan Franklin, Jordan Tudor



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Year 10



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SENIORSCHOOL



Phil McMillan

It has been a great honour to work with the Senior School team again in 2006. It has been a pleasure to work with the students, parents and teachers of this year's VCE classes. There have been ups and downs along the way, but I want to say how impressed I have been with the professionalism of the Senior School Co-Ordinators. They have provided support, direction, friendship and, I like to think, wise advice and counsel, in times of need. It has been very satisfying to see how the majority of students matured through the year and made significant progress.

The Year 12's began the year with an Induction Day at Victoria University. There were workshops on Careers, Study Skills, Health & Well-being and Goal Setting. The day laid out our expectations for Year 12 students for the year. Unfortunately, the rearranged terms in 2006 (due to the Commonwealth Games) provided an additional hurdle for VCE students as they were not really able to balance their work over the year as easily as usual.

During the year, many VCE students were involved in a variety of activities outside the classroom. We can see how these activities enrich their learning experience at St. Albans S.C. Some examples are, Peer Support, the SRC, MAC, Sports and MAP. I refer you to the reports elsewhere in this magazine for more details and the names of all the students involved.

I would like to thank all these students for their contributions and congratulate them on their achievements. I would encourage all students coming into VCE in the future to continue this tradition of involvement in school activities.

Mr. Chapman and I introduced the "Exam Intelligence" Workshops for Yr. 12s in Term 3. These included a Tai-Chi expert teaching us breathing and relaxation techniques which could be used in exams and in the lead up to the exams.

Ms. D'Amico and Mr. Fraser worked very hard with a large number of students applying for special entry opportunities provided by a number of institutions. The PPP at Vic Uni was the program which attracted the largest number of applications. Mr. Chapman's work with students is well known as is his work with the VCAL students.

Again we offered the Year 12 September Exam Preparation Program. Most students were involved in this preparation for the final exams, held in the school holidays. This year most subjects were involved and I am certain we will see the benefits in the end of year results.

Ms. Maria Oddo our VCE Learning Co-Ordinator has introduced a range of initiatives for VCE staff and students this year. Mr. Kortuem, as Careers Teacher does an enormous amount of work with students in Year 11 and 12. Ms. Matarkis our Student Welfare Co-Ordinator is also an important contributor to the VCE program. The list could go on. I would like to sincerely thank all those mentioned here.

However, the biggest "Thank You" is for the staff who teach VCE classes. Students do the SAC's and sit for the exams, but a lot of credit should go to the SASC staff. It's hard work, fun and sometimes frustrating, but one thing about teaching VCE students, it is never boring. Last, but not least, I wish to acknowledge the leadership and support we received in the Senior School from Ms. Moore, Ms. Dowsley, Ms. Meadowcroft and Mr. Crocker.

I have met a large number of parents of VCE students throughout the year. It is always a pleasure to meet parents who show an interest in their child's education. Thank you to all those parents who assisted us in supporting their children during these busy and stressful VCE years.

The VCE classes of 2006 have many reasons to feel proud of their achievements. It is the every day work in the every day classes which often goes unnoticed, but which brings the rewards. Results in mid-year exams were encouraging and I am confident the end of year results will reflect the effort students have committed to their studies. If the results are similar to 2005, the overwhelming majority of our Year 12 students will not only pass their VCE, but also obtain an offer of a place in the TAFE or University of their choice.

I sincerely hope that 2006 was as memorable a year for you as it was for me.

Phil McMillan – Senior School Leader



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Second Row: Dominic Mustica, Daniel Troncoso, Adam Crea, Amir Zeric
Third Row: Ojok Ocen, Kenneth Coates, Aleksandar Zdrnja, Sasa Aleksic, Aleksander Ognenovski

VCAL

Year 11

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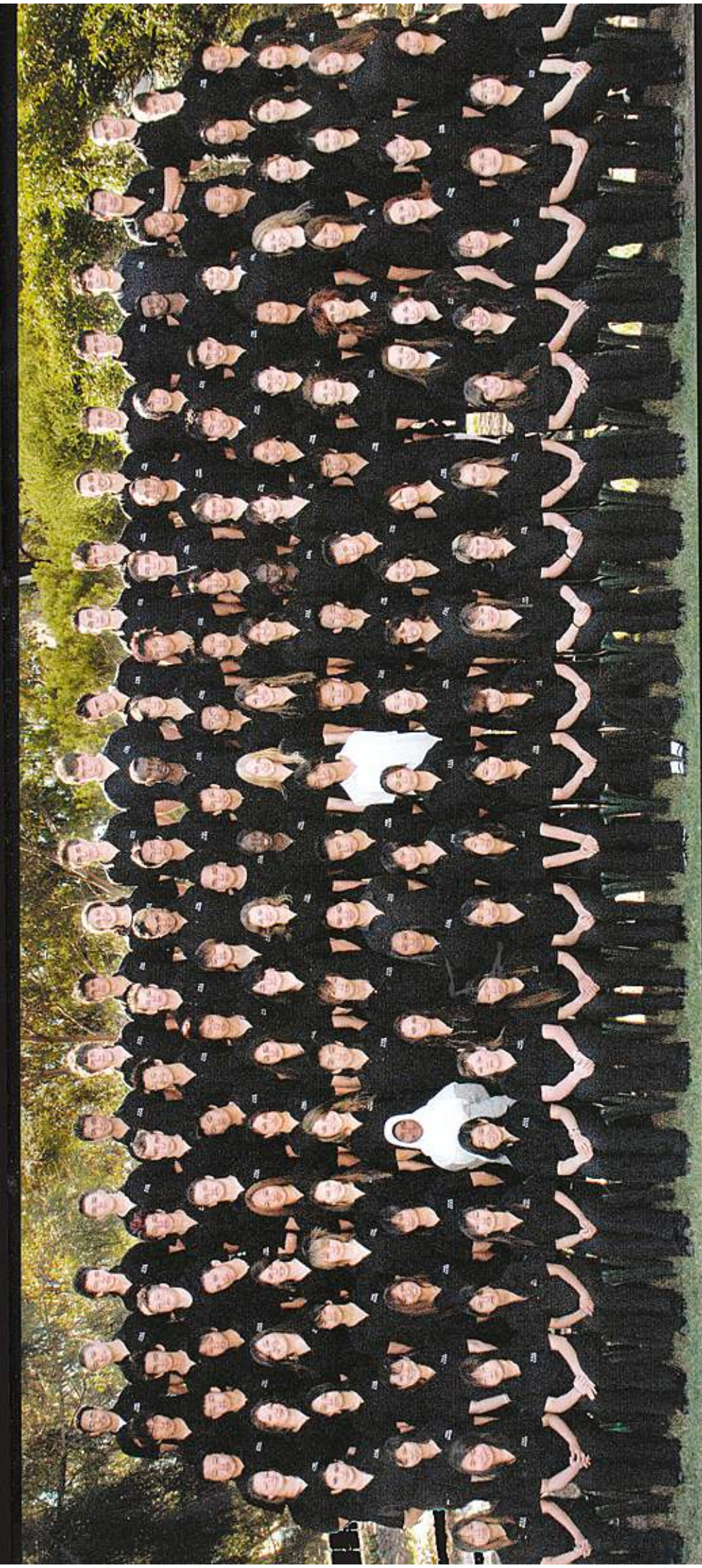
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Seventh: Nathan Bebawi, Lazar Petrovic, Marko Sestan, Brendon Mancecki, Danish Muhammed, Dejan Djuric, Drazen Preradovic, Igor Cecavac, John Pilkington, Michael Butler, Maciek Sztendur, Petar Filipovic, Marinko Kovacevic, Salim Hjazzen, Mohamad Zeno, Rexhep Demiri, Aleksandar Fundurlija, Vu Tran, Yavuz Berke



Year 12



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LOTE



In August, once again St Albans Secondary College LOTE Teachers and Students hosted a class of students from Japan's Kokugakuin Tochigi High School. The LOTE Team organized the events. The Japanese students taught our students studying Japanese, origami, Japanese games and calligraphy writing. They also performed their traditional dance. Our students taught them soccer and table-tennis. They also prepared Show bags for the Japanese students which included Australian Yoyo biscuits, postcards, stationery with Australian icons and the school brochure. It also included a certificate for visiting St Albans Secondary College, presented to the Japanese Students by Ms Dowsley, the Acting Principal and Mr Crocker, the Assistant Principal.

All Students together with the teachers, shared a meal organized by our Food and Technology Teacher Ms Learmonth with her year 11 students. It was a very valuable and enjoyable experience for all involved.

We all look forward to another fun filled and rewarding year next year. Thank-you to all the LOTE teachers and students for all your efforts.

Rosemary Sirianni (LOTE Coordinator)



TECHNOLOGY

FOOD TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS, ROBOTICS, WOODWORK, FASHION

FOOD

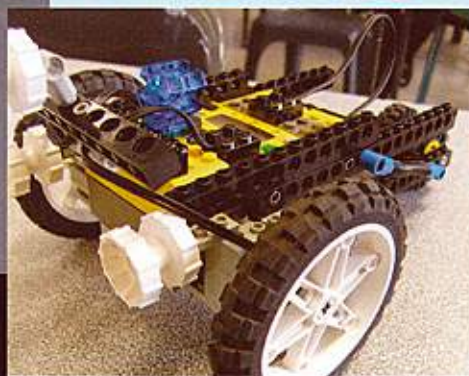
Carolyn Learmonth



The Year 11 Food & Technology Class in 2006 have catered for college events like the College's 50th Birthday Café and for the visit of our sister school from Japan. The class has worked sensationally as a team to ensure the success of each function. It has required a great deal of effort. As the teacher, I have enjoyed working with the students and wish them every success in the future.



ROBOTICS



FASHION



COMMERCE *PATHWAY TO SUCCESS*

The Department of Commerce provides a variety of highly popular business and legal subjects in the middle and senior schools. This popularity mirrors the dramatic growth of business and law enrolments in universities and TAFE colleges, and high employment rates in banking and finance, accountancy, management, small business ownership, and many other business fields.

In 2005, 10 of the 15 highest scoring VCE students at St Albans Secondary College entered university business and law courses!

A key feature of Commerce at SASC is the combination of high quality classroom instruction and 'real world' learning. In year 10, for example, Managing a Business combines business management-accounting principles and practice in developing and managing a business enterprise. (Several hundred dollars are raised for charity each semester). Year 10 Law links studies of legal topics with visits to legal institutions and regular film reviews. Drive and Survive focuses on the practical application of driving skills.

Managing a Business and Law provide a foundation for VCE

Business Management, Accountancy, and Legal Studies. Students completing these subjects are well prepared for tertiary studies, or direct entry to the workforce.

Year 9 Commerce emphasises personal financial management (banking, budgeting, credit and consumer education), careers and law.



Commerce... Going Places!

PERFORMING ARTS

Andria Pantelli & Nora Tchekmeyan

It has been yet another exciting year for Performing Arts students and staff! There were plenty of energetic individuals and groups who participated in a vast array of music and drama performances during 2006. These include: the VCE Autumn Concert; the SASC 50th Anniversary celebrations; Westside Arts; Youth Week; Refugee Week; Year 12 Graduation Ceremony; and other performances both within the school and the wider community.

The rehearsal rooms have been booked by students for lunchtime and after school rehearsals, and a few students have begun to record their music using Pro Tools, enabling them to create a CD of their work.

A few students need particular mention for all of their exceptional contributions – Vincent Lam; Stacey Fischer; John Eugenio; Andrew Price; Laura Vongkham; Vanessa McGee; Mirnes Sinanovic; Kristy Burns; Daniel Meissner; and Enoch Aning.

The instrumental students this year have worked hard with the assistance of their wonderful teachers – Tommy Rando (guitar/bass); Joanna Lavell (voice); Mario Agius (drums); and Grant Mathers (piano).

We look forward to an even bigger and better 2007 as junior students become more proficient at their craft.

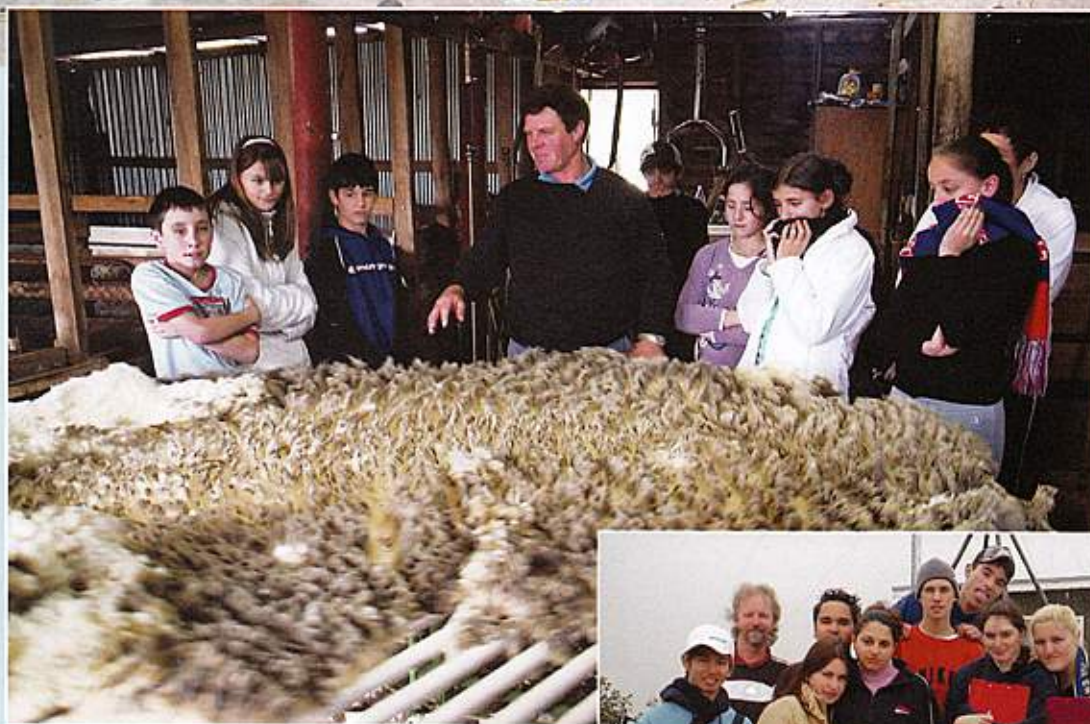
Andrea Pantelli (Performing Arts Coordinator)
Nora Tchekmeyan (Music Coordinator)



HUMANITIES

SOSE, GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, PSYCHOLOGY

Many wonderful camps took place this year, with students being given the opportunity to develop friendships, get some healthy exercise, work together on various tasks, spend time in a rural setting and gain independent living skills.



Year 11 Geography students at Anglesea investigating coastal processes and management strategies.

Year 7s visiting farmer Dave at his farm, where Dave took students through various aspects of farm life.

Mr Mundy's Year 12 students at Mt. Wombat.



The Humanities Team

Mr Micallef, Ms Coleman, Ms Gough, Ms Goulas, Mr Hardie, Ms Hodgson, Ms Lehmann, Ms Lowe, Ms Allen, Mr Mundy, Ms Oddo, Mr Sheen, Mr Twist, Ms Thyer, Mr Tarr, Ms Theodorou, Ms Woods & Ms Belic.

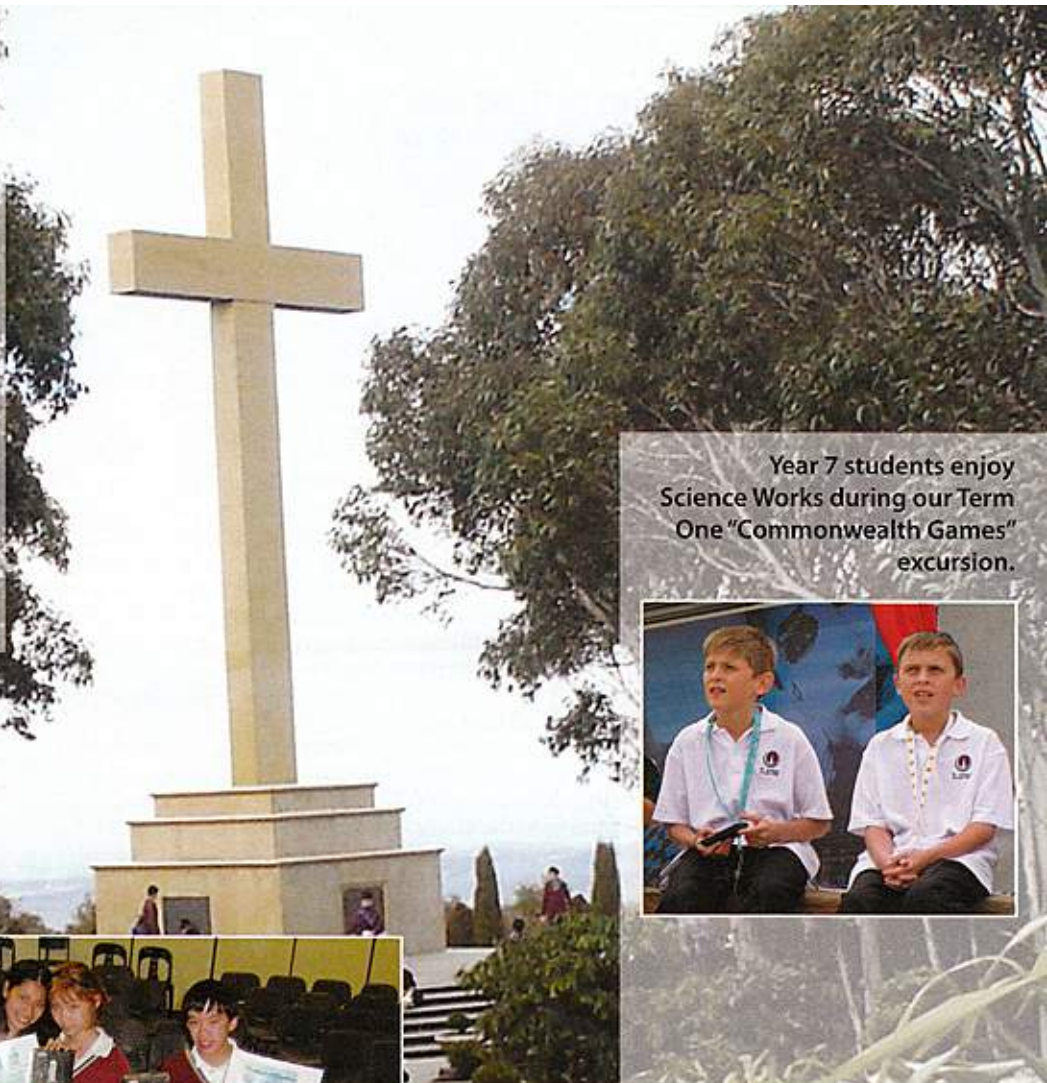
In September, the whole year 7 cohort travelled to Mt. Macedon for a field study to gather data using two very important Habits of Mind...

"Gathering data through all of my senses"

"Working interdependently"

Students and teachers alike had a lovely day, visiting four sites in Macedon, working co-operatively in groups and producing wonderful Fieldwork

Assignments back at school.



Year 7 students enjoy Science Works during our Term One "Commonwealth Games" excursion.



Finalists & Winners of the Learning Journey Competition.

Top Right to Bottom Left – Nikki Jeffic, Fatma Mahamed, Leanna Surrao (2nd), Linda long, Wayne Thai (1st), Patrick Catania, Nhi Nguyen, Le-Mi Le, Ashley Nguyen(3rd) & Johnny Pinto.

This competition drew upon the wonderful work the year 7 students have included into their Learning Journeys – an organised collection of their thoughts, work and goals for improvement.

YOUTH COASTAL CONFERENCE

This October students from year 8.4 were selected to be the St Albans Secondary College delegates for the International Youth Coastal Conference of 2006. The main objective of this conference was to provide a hands on, student-centered learning experience and enable students from Australia and New Zealand to come together and work towards creating a sustainable future for marine and coastal environments. The five students who were selected for this unforgettable experience were Saithong Buntham, Duy Vo, Linda Nguyen, Brigitte Nguyen and Tanya Tran.

We had the chance to meet new friends and learn about many aspects of marine environments. Almost 20 schools and 300 students attended and many took part in running workshops and presentations. The students involved put a lot of time and effort into their very informative presentations. The staff, students and volunteers at the Youth Coastal Conference were friendly and supportive and made us feel at home. Finally, we would like to thank our teacher Mr. Vern Hardie for his effort and giving us the opportunity to attend this conference.

SCIENCE

BIOLOGY, PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY

The year began with science staff, accompanied by some very keen and able helpers from Year 7, visiting local primary schools with a hands-on "Science Show". These were the last shows for Ms Huntley, our laboratory technician. We wish her all the best in her well deserved retirement and thank her for almost three decades of tireless work, helping teachers and students. We welcomed Daniella Palumbo, our new laboratory technician.



The Commonwealth Games saw many inventive cross-curricular activities, such as "Animal Athletes" incorporated into science classes. The open night for future students was a great success. Once again, many thanks to the Year 7 students who came along and enthusiastically ran experiments and demonstrations for our visitors.

Through-out the year, staff have organised excursions and activities for all year levels of the school, including trips to the Zoo, Mel-

bourne University, Melbourne Museum, IMAX, Scienceworks, Strathbogie for Biology camps and St. Albans Grasslands, home of the endangered striped leg-less lizard. Enrichment and extension activities have included "Siemens Science Experience", "Young Curators at the Melbourne Zoo", "Sustaine Rangers", "Eco Warriors" and "Fun Chemistry".

Staff have put many hours into reviewing our curriculum to incorporate the new Victorian Essential Learning Standards and new VCE Study Designs. I would like to thank all the Science staff for their work, in the classroom and beyond, helping students to achieve their goals. Finally I would like to wish all our VCE students good luck with their exams and future pursuits.

Lynne Borle Science Coordinator



Young Curators at the Melbourne Zoo



A select number of students from year 9 were asked if they would like to attend a conference at Melbourne Zoo. Those students selected were involved in a wildlife crime investigation, open-ended problem solving tasks, free time to explore the zoo and a behind the scenes visit to all the areas where no civilians were allowed. All students involved said they had a great time including the teachers.



FURLONG MAIN CLUSTER



The Furlong Main Cluster has continued to grow in 2006 and the relationship building between teachers and students has been a feature to our work this year.

The Habits of Mind were identified as a key focus area for the cluster in 2005 and teacher professional leave has seen teachers produce resources for all cluster staff introducing habits of mind to their classrooms. The cluster hosted the Australian National Schools Network Habits of Mind exhibition at SASC and the work of the cluster was well regarded by colleagues across Victoria. Congratulations to all.

The cluster work that has taken place in 2006 includes professional development for teachers, a cluster curriculum day for teachers and a student Commonwealth Games Day. The Commonwealth Games Day presented a great opportunity for staff and students to celebrate together and staff from all schools worked to prepare a great cluster event.

Students have also interacted and participated in 'The Big Day In' which was a welfare in transition program developed by welfare coordinators across the cluster. Primary students have also visited the secondary college to work with Yr 9 students using ICT in the classroom and students have initiated a cross cluster newsletter to develop a stronger sense of community amongst themselves.

The main focus areas for 2007 will be:

- Habits of Mind
- Transition
- Professional Learning for teachers
- Community projects
- Interactive whiteboards

Thankyou to all staff and students from SASC, St Albans South PS, St Albans Heights PS, Albion North PS and Jackson School who have contributed to our vision of sharing knowledge together and interacting freely amongst our schools. We look forward to a productive 2007.

Andrea Federico Cluster Educator



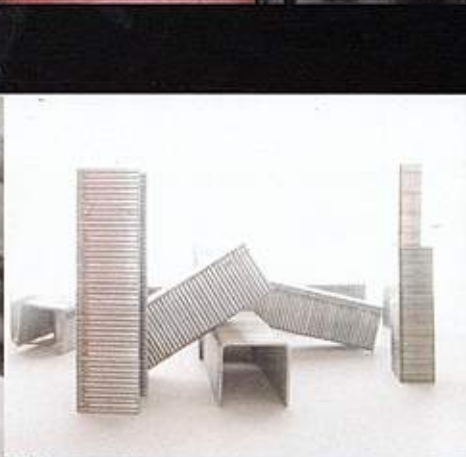
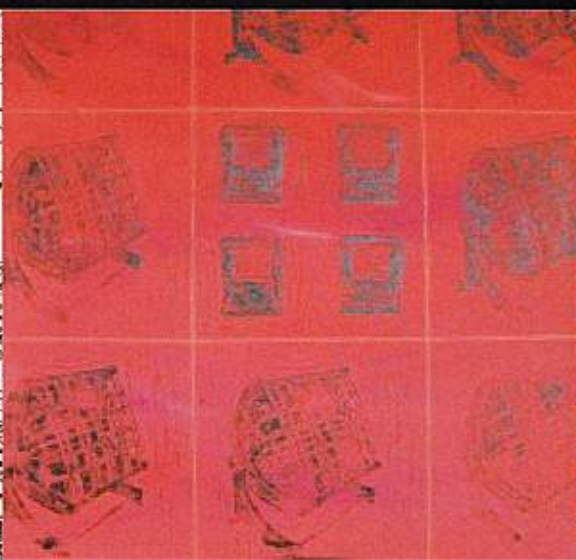
Teachers learn, apply and exhibit Habits of Mind strategies and its applications to more effective learning for students



Furlong Main Cluster Commonwealth Games Day enabled junior students to explore arts and PE with other schools from the area. Students rotated through a number of activities, ranging from photography to music and competing in sports activities



VISUALARTS





ALPINE SCHOOL

Cathy Nguyen

We were fortunate enough this year to be the third team to go to The Alpine School, at Dinner Plain on Mt Hotham. Even better, in term 3 there was enough snow for us to go skiing and do other snow sports whenever we felt like it!

We have gained teamwork experience, leadership, outdoor and environmental skills that we can utilise in the future. We have made lifelong friends and we have many memories from up there that we will treasure forever.

We want to acknowledge Ms Tchekmeyan for taking so much time to take us up to the school, coming on our Expo (expedition) and for attending our CLP Night. We'd also like to thank Mr Tarr for helping us to get there, and Ms Dowsley, Mr Twist and Isabelle for also coming up for our presentation

We appreciate very much the hard work done by Ms Tchekmeyan and Mrs Hodgson in getting us into The Alpine School, supporting us and helping us with our project.

From the teachers....What a fantastic team of our students - again!! No wonder the Alpine School loves our students; they have been a dedicated and enthusiastic bunch who have grown enormously during this experience. We can be very proud of our young leaders who have experienced the Alpine school; we have heard many glowing comments (and a lot of funny ones) from all the staff. In fact, even the office staff have told us that they love it when a team goes there from St Albans. (I wonder what we haven't heard about!!) Their emails describing how they learnt how to ski (the painful way) were very funny and they have been a wonderful team to work with back at school. Congratulations, all of you. Now we can look forward to sending our next team.....!



The Team

Peter H. 9.1
Peter N 9.2
Bao D. 9.2
Cathy N 9.7
Tony L 9.2

Japanese Visit

On 22nd August our school once again successfully hosted 32 Japanese visiting students and teachers coming from Kokugakuin University Affiliated Tochigi Senior High School, which is located 70km Northeast of Tokyo.



ENRICHMENT

Craft Club

Thursday Lunchtimes have proved to be busy yet again as Craft Club entered its 2nd Year. The Crafty Regulars have been busy either knitting; making scoobies; creating unique jewellery and other interesting accessories. Craft Club provides an opportunity to showcase things that people are making, and it also allows students from different year levels to get to know each other and chatter. Thank you to all the wonderful participants for making Thursday

CULTURE CLUB

EXCURSION TO THE CITY

On the 30th of August 2006 the culture club and Ms Belic went to the Picasso Exhibition at The National Gallery of Victoria in the city.

All the Culture Club girls waited at the front of the school and when Ms Belic arrived we all set off for St Albans station. We caught the train to Flinders Street station and when we arrived we headed off to the National Gallery. It's just past the Art Centre and next to a really big water fountain.

We arrived at the gallery, went inside and wandered around the Picasso exhibition. It was really short so we extended our visit to include the rest of the gallery until 11 o'clock when we all went off to lunch in Flinders Street.

After we finished lunch we went to Federation Square to see the 'TV Turns 50' exhibition. After we finished looking we returned home on the train.

Joining the Culture Club helped me learn about art and other cultural things. When my friends and I went to the Picasso Gallery it was very inspirational because it taught us the impressionism of how artists painted and drew during a really rough era of life. Learning about this kind of stuff is important because sometimes paintings and drawings tell us the story of civilisation and the story of life.

By: Samantha Griffiths

MAIN ROAD MATHS

In October 2006 selected Year 9 students from St Albans Secondary College joined students from Brimbank Secondary College to participate in a team challenge at Victoria University.

Students were able to calculate, using Pythagoras and Trigonometry, results that were within 0.1 metres of the true height of the chosen buildings.

Their success earned them a tour of the Victoria University library, Gymnasium and Science areas where they took part in a number of 'hands-on' activities and sampled a taste of university life.

Student Comments.....

"I learnt how to co-operate with people I hadn't met before and it was great making new friends."

"I enjoyed the activity very much because it was quite challenging."





MUSICAL APPRECIATION CLUB

Vincent Lam

Each year a new theme for MAC is decided. As always MAC was a wonderful and successful production from which everyone gained. MAC brings out the inner personalities and creates enjoyable moments for the crew. With the kindness, long hours of efforts, positive attitudes and outstanding commitment, MAC brings to the public a snapshot of our school.

MAC is a great source of learning and is a unique way for students to learn numerous skills in so many areas. MAC provides opportunities for better understanding the performing arts and is also self-development. There are many things we can learn by participating that can't be learnt from books in a class room, such as self confidence, team work and improvisation. As well as learning these real world skills, MAC encourages students to solve their problems by themselves, so they develop good habits and skills to use in the real world. MAC proves, that it is a course of self-development, that students should take.

Apart from the obvious learning in MAC, it is a friendly environment and a constructive way for students to express themselves and entertain. Everyone enjoys their time together. The atmosphere is always like a huge family.

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Hilarious snippets build as students bond together. MAC just seems like a fun camp every afternoon. It is such an enjoyable activity that everyone in the crew is eager to come to the rehearsal (unless you didn't memorize your script!). Rather than staring at a computer screen, you learn and become engaged in energetic, expressive activities.

MAC to me is the probably the greatest thing I've done in my life. Not only did it open me up to a new world and change me to become better and more confident,

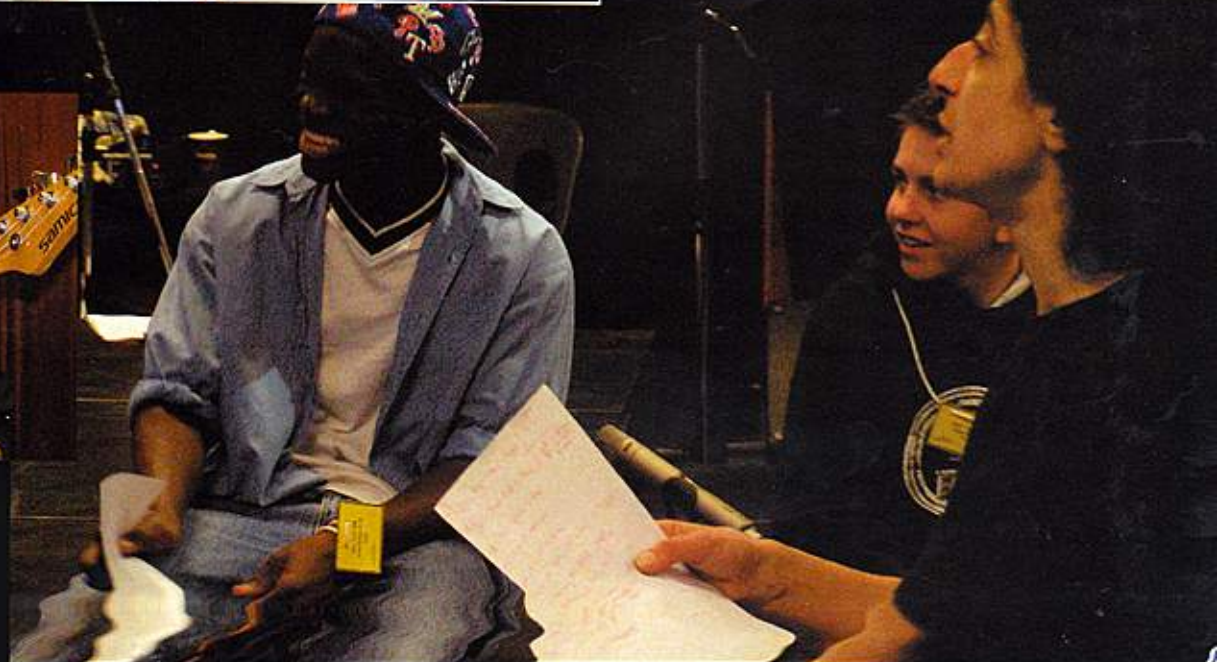
I actually learn and truly enjoy my time with new friends. This year I was very hard for me but MAC was a refuge and help me get centred. Like me, many students seek

refuge by joining MAC. Only when one is working with the most caring people will they know in this world what it is to feel happy and free.

There was no stress (except when you find a tower homework after the performances).

As each year goes by, less and less people become involved in MAC. This is sad because there is so much talent out there. Yes, that could be you. And even if you're not any of the above categories, join MAC and become involved in a meaningful deed. MAC needs you and will teach you unique and advanced skills, which you can apply to other activities. Please support MAC, get involved and keep its spirit alive for future generations, thank you.





SUSTAINABILITY



What do you do with your green waste at home? Green waste in landfill takes up space and creates greenhouse gases. We are school is keeping Green waste out of the skip bins.

Photo: Chloe BALLARD & Kelly KENNEDY (7.2)

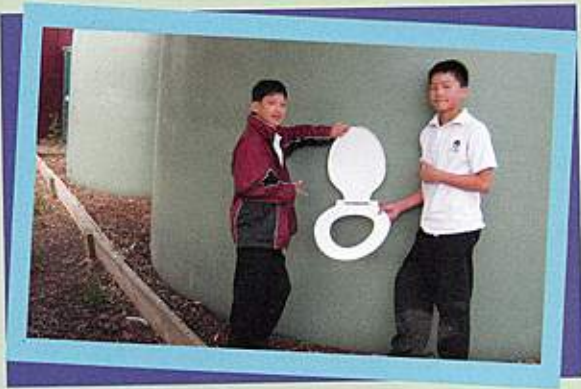
Did you know 97% of computer parts can be recycled? Computers and TVs dumped at the tip leak chemicals into our waterways.

Photo: Nghia TRAN & Thu Le TRAN (9.7)



Trying to save water at home? School toilets are flushed with rainwater caught through winter. Are there ways we could be using water more than once around the school and at home?

Photo: Robert NGUYEN & Cheng LEE (7.2)





Year 9 students weigh the rubbish collected in one lunchtime. We are creating 240 litres (14kg) of rubbish each day.

Photo: Tan NGUYEN (7.6) & Katie TEPANIA (9.6)

Food scraps from Food Tech and the staff-room feeds the worms.
A small step is made towards nourishing the soil of the school yard.

Photo: Daniel PADJAN (8.2)



ECO-WARRIORS CLUB

Eco-club was designed for student's to promote sustainability education within the school environment. All students who participated in the program developed skills, knowledge and values that promoted positive behaviours in support of a globally sustainable environment.

A recycling program at SASC was designed, implemented and educated to all by students to reduce the amount of litter and to recycle white paper. Recycling boxes (empty cardboard paper boxes) were put into all 46 classes of the school. An education program was initiated by the students whereby they would talk about the purpose of the boxes and to promote sustainable habits by the recycling of white paper. A big thanks goes out to Mr G.Yuhl and his year 7 art classes for their contribution in the building, painting and tactile designs of boxes.

The eco-schools club is an excellent example of practising what we preach - students and teachers of SASC are involved in a sustainable schools programme whereby we can study the impact of our school's activities on the environment, identify ways to reduce this impact and work together to improve our overall environmental performance.

As a consequence of these activities , eco-warrior students and school staff not only learn about the environment issues and it's impact on the environment but also develop skills, awareness and the motivation to do something about it.

By R.Macbeth



What could get science teachers this excited?

New recycling bins arrived in time for the Rubbish Free Lunch.

Photo: Nancy COPPOLINO
& Robert MacBETH



SPORT

Beverly Smith Sports Coordinator

This year St. Albans SC had students compete at the Victorian State Secondary School level in Badminton and Athletics. It has been a number of years since Badminton achieved this top level of competition. Rebecca Gatt competed in the State 3km Cross Country, 1500m and 800m.

Many students participated in the St Albans Secondary College's sporting program. The lunchtime competitions in badminton, futsal soccer and table tennis run in terms two and three. Many students were chosen for sporting teams from these competitions. There is good participation in the training sessions offered by coaches in the selection of teams.

We fielded 52 teams in the Sunshine District Competition, the most teams since 2002. The sports participated in this year were: Cricket (2 teams), Tennis (6 teams), Volleyball (6 teams), Football (1 team), Table Tennis (8 teams), Soccer (8 teams),



Futsal Indoor Soccer (6 teams), Netball (4 teams), Badminton (8 teams) and Basketball (3 teams). 20 teams became Sunshine District Premiers. In soccer, netball and table tennis we had to compete against the winners of the Werribee District. 14 teams earned the right to compete at the Western Zone Finals. The Y8 Boys Badminton finished 3rd in their pool at the State Finals. The teams still to compete at the Western Zone at the time of writing this report are the Volleyball Y7 Girls and Table Tennis Y7 Girls, Y8 Girls, Intermediate Girls and Y8 Boys. This year we also had students compete in Cross Country, Athletics and Swimming.

The time and support generously given by teachers to assist in the operation of the sport program is invaluable. The support given by many teachers with their time and energy in many ways allows the students to access the wide variety of sports offered in this sport program. I take this opportunity to thank all staff of St. Albans with special thanks to the following people for their contribution. Without their support the program would not be as successful. Thanks to the following Coaches of sporting teams: Mr Lakovski (9): Mr Lynch (5): Ms Mortimer (4): Mr Traianou (4): Mr Crocker (1): Mr Mundy (1): and Ms Hocking (1): Mr Krysinski (1): Mr Twist (1): Mr Sinclair (1):. Special thanks also for additional support, Mr Traianou, Mr Hickey, Mr Hardy, Ms French and Mr Uhl.

**Year 8 Boys
Victorian Secondary
Schools State
Finalists**

Badminton

Team members: Adam Vukovic, Nhon Ngo, Enoch Dela-Vega, Tou Lee, Vincent Lum and Dean Ellis

Coach—Ms Beverly Smith & Mr Alfred Hickey

In the lunchtime badminton competition 25 boys participated. From this, a squad of six players trained to find the top 4 singles players and the two doubles teams. These boys trained as often as they could, improving in their skills and game play. The team of six changed frequently.

The drive within the boys to have the number one ranking helped them to excel in this sport. They constantly challenged the higher ranked player causing the rankings to change even up to the day before the State Final. They competed against nine schools before they lost a match. Many matches were close finishes, going down to the doubles games' and even to counting the points won, as was the case in the Western Zone final where they won by 7 points against a school.

We lose Nhon and Vincent from the team as next year they will be going to Melbourne High.



SOCCER FUTSAL

It has been 5 years of very hard training, after school (most days), weekends and during school holidays. The long hours, pain and tears have paid off with a success record we are enormously proud of: Victorian State Futsal Champions (2002, 2003 & 2005), YMCA North West Futsal School Champions (2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006), Australian National runners-up (2003 and 2004), Northern School Champions (2006), Wookey Park Futsal Champions (2003, 2004 and 2005) and Westgate Futsal Champions (2005).

Our efforts have been further recognised by the Education Department in awarding us the 'Outstanding School Team' (2003 and 2004) as well as 'Outstanding Contribution to School Sport' in the 'Winners of the West Awards'.

Our team success has been a series of life-changing experiences beyond our achievements in soccer.

Friendships that will endure our whole lives have been formed and we have developed life skills that we will use throughout life's journey. Our countless fundraising ventures and activities throughout the community have honed our organisational skills, created numerous community contacts and developed our communication and social skills.

Our Coach Robert Krynski has been a positive role model and has guided us to many triumphs. We can never thank him enough for his unwavering dedication, and commitment to us all but we hope he has gained as much from the experience as we all have.

It is with great sadness that our High School years are coming to an end, words cannot ever fully interpret the feelings and impact our experiences have had on us all, but its legacy of strong friendships and self-confidence equips us well to tackle the next chapter in our lives.

The remaining team members in 2006 are Elizabeth Harrington, Celina Grech, Sarah Timpano, Lazarela Ninkovic, Anna Tran, Sandra Soiric and Azra Ibrahimovic.

For their help along the way thank you to: Mr Krynski, Ms Moore & Assistant Principals, sponsors, all staff members (particularly General Office, Canteen, MAC and PE Department), students (particularly MAC), the cleaners and the parents.

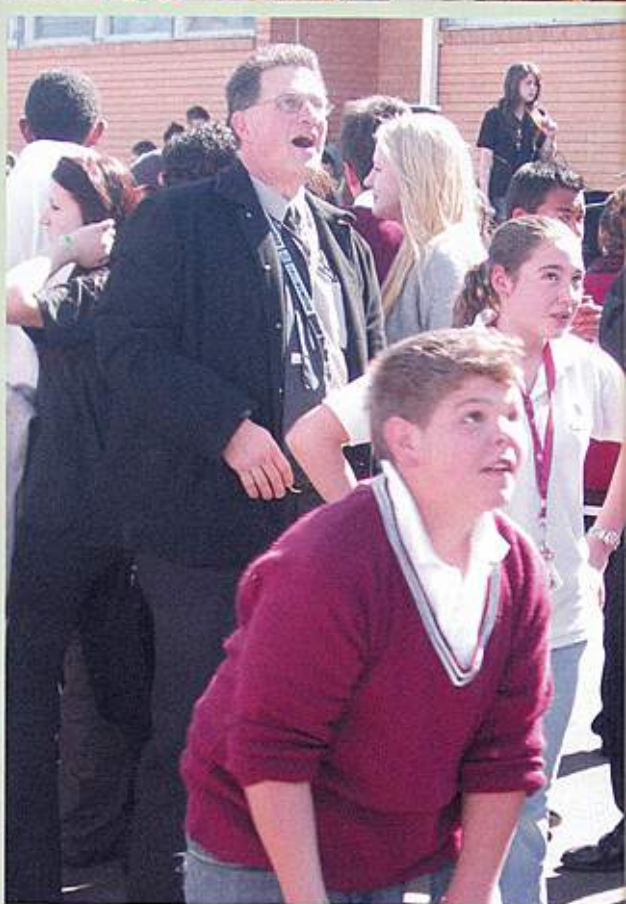


The teacher's team wins the girl's futsal competition

Shooting Competition



YOUTH WEEK



Chess Club

On June the 6th, SASC hosted the Interschool Chess Tournament. In All, 95 students participated from Simonds College, Salesian College, Mowbray College, St Mary's Coptic College, Westbourne Grammar and Brighton Grammar. Each school competed in teams, with number of combined wins resulting in the overall score.



Despite some initial nerves, (especially as they had to play with clocks and allocated time per player per game) our students performed exceptionally well to gain BRONZE MEDALS-third place!!! Mr. Traianou and Mr. Singh's word of advice and strategies proved very useful on the day. The winning school was Simond's College, who won gold and silver medals-first and second place (they had two teams).

Congratulations to the following students: Hai Nguyen (Year 10), Vincent Lam (Year 10), William Guan (Year 10), Murtaza Danesh (Year 9), Alan Rose (Year 9), Phuong Trinh (Year 9), Engel Billosillo (Year 9), Vy Nguyen (Year 8) and Rory Sheehan (Year 7), A fantastic effort to all participants!

CITYCAMP

On the first day of camp I arrived at St.Albans station at 8:15 a.m. I didn't know how to buy a Met Card so I got Kim to do it for me. We Finally got on the train and it was hilarious. Candice and I almost fell over so many times because we didn't have a seat. Kindly Michael gave me his seat a quarter of the way there. We finally arrived at Melbourne Central Station and it was hectic. We went up and down elevators and on top of all that I forgot to validate my Met Card so that slowed things down by having to go around to get through the electric doors. We had to walk for about 15 minutes to get to the actual hotel. The hotel was called "Bakpak". It was a cosy hotel. In my room there were bunk beds, like 7 of them shared between 4 people. Candice, Ly, Sara and I. We loved where our room was because it was next to the toilets, showers and the main room and we could all meet up in when we were about to leave somewhere. The bunk bed covers had an Australian flag on them and so did the pillows. We then had about an hour to get all unpacked and "at home".

We all then went to the M.C.G. We got a grand tour with a man. He showed us around the ground, the seats, and even where the "Richmond" football player's locker room is. The tour went for about 40 minutes. We then met at the outside of the M.C.G ready to go to Federation square for lunch. After that, we went back to the hotel for a rest then from there went to the observation desk. The scenes that I saw were absolutely breath taking. From there we went back to the hotel and were there until it was time to set out for dinner. We went to South Bank when it was time to

have dinner. We had fried fish, chips, a dim sim and a potato cake with a mini bottle of coke. The food was tasty.

The next day on Thursday we had breakfast at Muletas. I didn't like the breakfast much because I'm used to my own morning food, but it was pretty good for each morning. From there I went to the Queen Victoria Market. I made a man give me a nice necklace for only 5 dollars!. He was kind of startled by it that I didn't like but I purchased it in the end. After that we went on a boat cruise to Science works. It was pretty cold but it was a fun ride, whether you were inside the boat or not. We then went to Scienceworks and it was so boring. We walked around and got a little bored so we decided to talk to any random person. There were people from other schools. After that we went back on the boat to the city on the cold ride and then had about an hour free time so I went with Candice to my uncle's shop. He owns a shop called "Subway" which was where I used to work. He wasn't there so I decided to visit him the next day.

The final day on Friday we woke up and were so happy to just go home and sleep and do our normal things, but before then we went to the shrine of remembrance when Candice got claustrophobia. We walked up to the top of the shrine and saw the views. They were very cool. Ly took a lot of photos. I ended up being in half of them. Later on we packed, went in the conference room and went back on the train home. It was a great camp.

VCAL



We still can't believe that this year is actually coming to an end. It felt like it was just yesterday when we entered VCAL with new teachers, classrooms and a whole heap of faces we didn't recognize...but sadly that was all a year ago.

Being in the VCAL program meant that our class was able to benefit from the "hands on" learning and teaching system." Of course we had to still meet outcomes, do assignments and oral presentations, but being in VCAL gave us the opportunity to learn what we wanted to learn.

For the last couple of years the VCAL students have been involved in lots of different projects, many which involved the sustainability of the school. I think you could even call us the "renovators" of St. Albans Secondary College. All the benches you see around the school, the wet land area near the gym, those fantastic Japanese paintings near the Library, the vegetable patch near the shed, and the seating area near the R-wing were all created by past and present VCAL students.

When we weren't at school making benches or pulling weeds, we were either at work placement or TAFE. This year we had students working in all different kinds of industries, from a law firm to a salon. One of the many perks of our TAFE courses was that we were able to put into practice what we were being taught at TAFE at work. This enabled us to understand what we had to do and work effectively at our work placements.

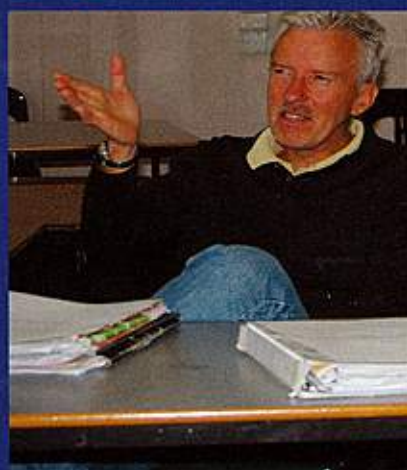


One of our classes, Personal Development (taught by Mr. Chapman), involved one of our major projects...raising funds for the Ronald McDonald House in Parkville.

For those of you who don't know, the house is where family members can stay whilst their child undergo treatment in a nearby hospital. To raise money we had cookie drives, a football/soccer day, screen printed and sold MAC T-shirts. We're currently organizing a pizza day and a Ronald McDonald dress up day at one of the local primary schools. This is where the children will come to school dressed up as Ronald McDonald and we will provide activities such as face painting, games, and talks about what Ronald McDonald Houses are all about.

All in all, 2006 was a fun, enjoyable, and exciting year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our teachers (Mr. Sidon, Ms. North, Mr. Twist, and Mr. Chapman) for all encouraging us towards our goals. We'd especially like to thank Mr. Sidon for a talk he once gave us...you might have thought it went in one ear and out the other but for many of us, that talk gave us the motivation and drive to do what we thought we couldn't, so thank you!

By Briony Johns, Kristy-Lee Simoes & Tina Rotar



Mr. Twist imparts deep wisdom

Year 12 SPEECH



Kristy Burns

Good evening parents, teachers, friends but most importantly the class of '06. I've been selected to represent each and every one of you by giving this speech about the past six years of our school lives. From day one of writing this speech I wanted it to be by everyone, not just me. Each group of friends here has its own memories.

I'll just take this time to thank everyone for their time, support and encouragement that has got us through these past years. I know without it some of us mightn't be here today.

You see it takes more than some students and a few teachers to make these years possible. Without the support of our families and friends, or the extra time some teachers put into our classes, we certainly wouldn't have made the progress that we have.

In 2001 - our first year - we attended school camp. Late at night, on one camp, several students went outside their cabins to investigate strange noises, and believing there was a giant bear outside, quickly ran back inside shaking from sheer fright; they had never heard a koala before this night!

I guess in year 12 we really started to focus on what this year really meant to us and what we wanted from it. This year we started to get along with each other a lot more.

How is it possible to forget all the sporting and academic achievements? Our soccer teams seemed to get more attention. Some students even got the opportunity to go to Brazil. Then there are people like Rebecca Gatt and all her running achievements, Brendan's golf, numerous maths competitions, and even a debating team.

The Musical Appreciation Club (MAC) started many years before most of us were born! Many students participated in MAC over the years.

We've seen many teachers come and go over the years. We've seen many principals in our time including Mr Stewart Homer, Ms Karen Moore, and the current acting principal Ms Kerrie Dowsley. Each has put a lot of time and effort into the school, providing many opportunities for us.

Our families have gone through a lot this year. one of the most popular excuses to get out of chores was, "Sorry mum, I'm doing homework, year 12 is too important". Our families have had to put up with a lot this year and so we must thank them very much for putting up with us. Without their strong will and guidance we mightn't have done so well over the year.

I stand here tonight representing each and every student in front of me, and on behalf of them I'd once again like to thank our teachers, friends and family, and - most importantly - St Albans Secondary College for making us who we are and getting us to where we are today. I'd also like to wish everyone luck for the future and if you don't get your first preference it isn't the end of the world. And for those not applying for uni, good luck with travelling, working or whatever you're going to do!

Thank you.

YEAR 12 D-DAY



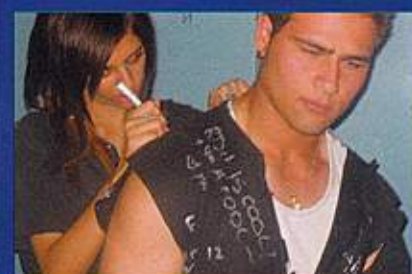
A disguise is often necessary if you don't wish to be identified after a prank



Some students are very appreciative of their teachers



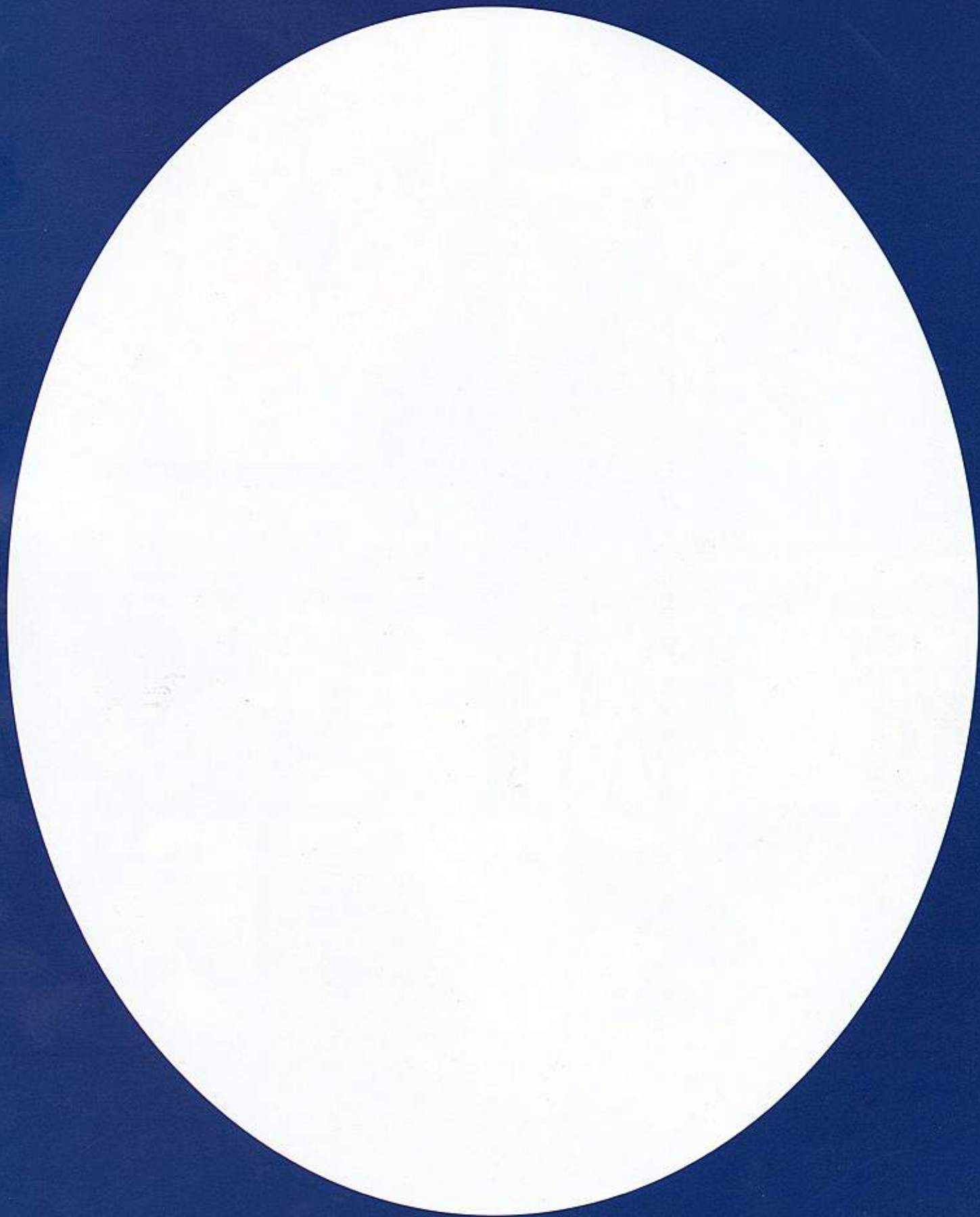
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Pepsi hair shampoo, I wonder if it will catch on

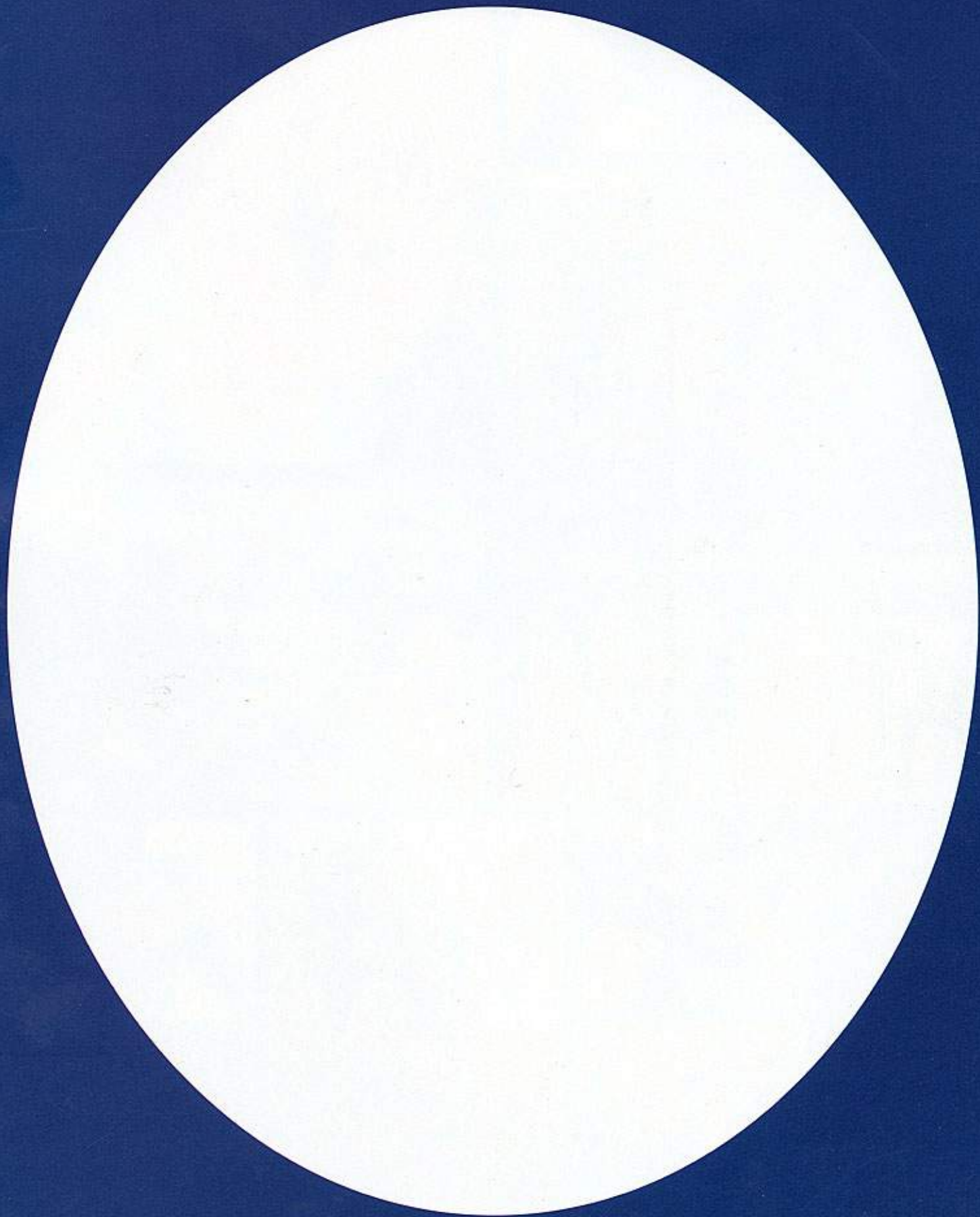
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Fifty

50 years of diversity

HOW WE HAVE CHANGED

Despite starting with a predominantly English and European mix, St Albans Secondary has added to its diversity, now hosting students from over 75 different cultural backgrounds. A visitor recently commented that our school is the most ethnically diverse school in Melbourne. What amazed them was how well everyone gets along. Its a credit to our school.

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