MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

We welcome any suggestions or feedback that you as a parent may have and we have established a process in order for this to be done in an effective and respectful manner. Complaints/Feedback form may be obtained from the office and we endeavour to resolve matters in an effective and timely manner.

When dealing with any staff member at the College, please ensure that you speak in a respectful manner. Any parent who is found to be treating staff rudely or yelling at staff may be asked to leave College grounds. Respect and courtesy are important values which we should be modelling to the younger generation, please ensure you treat others how you wish to be treated yourself.

My door is always open, so if there is an issue that you are passionate about and wish to discuss it further
please feel free to come in and we can discuss the matter in a calm and professional manner.

The following core values guiding community life and teaching and learning are reflected in all aspects of College life and contribute to a sense of common purpose within the College Community.

Excellence  Respect  Responsibility  Honesty  Fairness

Sareh Salarzadeh
PRINCIPAL

MIDDLE SCHOOL & VCE NEWS

Dear Parents,

The VCE students participated in the General Achievement Test (GAT) on Wednesday 10th July. It is beneficial for all parents of secondary aged students to understand the importance of the GAT. The GAT is a test of general knowledge and skills in:

- Written communication
- Mathematics, science and technology
- Humanities, the arts and social sciences.

These areas are very broad. Each represents a body of general knowledge and skills that students are likely to have built up through their school years. The VCAA will use students’ GAT scores as a basis for:

- Contributing to statistical moderation of school-based assessment results
- Checking the accuracy of external assessment marking
- Calculating the Derived Examination Scores

The VCAA applies statistical moderation procedures to all school-based assessments to even out the differences in marking standards that may occur from school to school. This is to ensure that the final results are comparable across the state and are fair to all students. The statistical moderation process compares the level and spread of each school's assessments of its students in each study with the level and spread of the same students’ scores in the external assessments, and adjusts the school scores if necessary.

In some studies, statistical moderation uses students’ GAT scores as well as their scores for external assessments. This is done where it gives a better match with schools’ school-based assessments throughout the State. The external assessment scores will always have the major influence in the statistical moderation calculations. There are two key principles in whether and how the GAT is used.

⇒ The GAT components are only used if they make the moderation process more reliable in the sense that the external scores are a better predictor using the GAT scores than without them. The statistic R-square is used to measure the increase in reliability.

⇒ When used, the GAT components must not exert too much influence on study scores. A variety of tests are performed to determine the influence of the GAT, of which one test is that no more than 5% of study scores should vary by more than 2. To achieve this, the influence of the GAT is kept to the minimum optimal level.

The decision on whether to use the GAT is made separately for each school-based assessment. Please do not hesitate to contact the college if you require any further information.

Mr. Tim Campbell / Andrew Stock
SENIOR & MIDDLE SCHOOL COORDINATORS

PRIMARY NEWS

The weather has been really cold and miserable lately. The children are allowed to wear extra clothing on these days as long as it is either a plain burgundy or navy in colour. They can wear jackets, beanies, scarves, gloves and skivvies. If they are not plain navy or burgundy the students will be asked to remove them.

The Mt Hira scarves for prayer are now available for purchasing from the office. They cost $10 and are white with embroidery. Please get your Mt Hira scarf as soon as possible.

Next week is the beginning of Ramadan which is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. I wish the Mt Hira College community to have a very blessed and peaceful Ramadan.
Cybersafety

Kids need to appreciate and accept that just as in the real world, there are dangers in cyberspace. Remember that cyberspace is permanent. Everything that you write, post and send can be traced and will remain there forever.

Here are some tips for students;

• Do not reply to rude or nasty comments.
• Immediately tell an adult if you feel uncomfortable or worried online.
• If someone is being mean or nasty on any social media – block them.
• Have your computer in a common area of the house NOT IN THE BEDROOM!
• Do not have a ‘flirty’ or ‘nasty’ log on name.
• Help your parents to learn about the internet. Teach your parents the language of the cyberspace.
• Let your parents know where you go online, just as you would in real life.
• Ask your parents to spend time online with you - learn and explore together
• Make sure that there are filters and other monitoring/blocking software to minimise dangers.
• Together with mum or dad, set house rules about what information you can put onto websites or share with others.
• Never ever share PERSONAL INFORMATION such as your name, address, phone number or school!
• Social Networking profiles such as MySpace, Facebook and Bebo MUST BE SET TO PRIVATE.

• MSN contacts and social networking site friends should be people that you know in real life. This is one way to reduce possible risks.
• An ‘online friend’ that you don’t know in real life is a STRANGER.
• Passwords MUST NOT BE SHARED!!!!! Choose passwords that others can’t guess……not your favourite food or pets name.
• Change passwords 4 times per year (last day of every term)
• Be aware that information on the internet is not always reliable.
• Your parents should check your hotmail/msn/social networking lists.
• If you are playing games online, YOUR parents should know how to play the game too in case of problems. Play online games together.
• Learn about search engines and how they work.
• The internet and the various applications are a lot of fun ….. surf safely together with your parents!

Please watch the video at the link below:

Please note that this list is by no means exhaustive and that there is no guarantee that adherence to these tips will provide 100% protection or safety for those using the various applications of the internet.

Coryn Bretag,
PRIMARY COORDINATOR

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RE NEWS

On Tuesday 23rd of June Zaky will be visiting Mt Hira College.
The program will be involved around Ramadan and each primary student will receive a free gift bag worth $5.00. The cost of the incursion is $10.00. Forms and money to be returned by 18/6/15.
If students would like to purchase any of Zaky’s merchandize please feel free to use the order form attached.

Thank you
Mrs A Erenli
R/E Co-ordinator

BIRTHDAYS 08/06- 14/06

MERT KARAKAS 09/06
ADEM SAVRAN 09/06
SAMEER GILL 09/06
SAFDER MIR 10/06
ALA WAZEER 11/06
IBRAHIM KILIC 12/06
MIRIAM POSKROBK 12/06
BURCIN YILMAZ 13/06
MOHAMED KANDIL 13/06

Have fun on your Birthday

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EXCELLENT HOMEWORK AND CLASS ACTIVITIES

SÜDE ZEYBEN (7P) 
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EREN TAN (7N) 
EXCELLENT HOMEWORK AND CLASS ACTIVITIES

NEW ADDRESS FOR BELÉZA

OUR UNIFORM SUPPLIERS HAVE MOVED TO NEW PREMISES.

162 CHELTENHAM ROAD DANDENONG

Trading Hours
Mon-Fri 9.30-4.30
Sat. 10.00-13.00

Beleza have a 20% Sale till 13th of June to celebrate their 30th Anniversary. For Blazer and locally produced woollen jumpers, they are only able to offer a 10% discount.
### Dandenong Store
#### Term 2 School Holidays Trading Hours

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*Normal Trading Hours: Mon to Fri 9:30am to 4:30pm 10:00am to 1pm*  
Shop Online 24/7: store.beleza.com.au

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### Financial Assistance

Information for Parents

**Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)**

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

Chains, camps and excursions are a necessary, integral part of school life and are designed to provide a greater understanding of how the world works and to develop the skills required for students to succeed in high school and beyond. They are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will provide extra-curricular opportunities for eligible families. For more information, please visit the Department of Education and Training website.

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#### International Children’s Festival

**FREE ENTRY**

- **Date:** Sunday 14 June 2015, 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm
- **Venue:** Melbourne Town Hall
- **Address:** Corner Swanston & Collins Streets, Melbourne
- **Map:** Melway Map 1B/17

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