Bayview College Newsletter











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Message from the Principal

You may be aware of the recent reports in the media in relation to school funding. I attended an urgent briefing session held at Independent Schools Victoria recently for an update and information on how the Australian Governments potential changes might impact Bayview College families and school programs.

The information given, and the lack of clarity able to be given, was of serious concern to myself and the other Principals in the room. Our biggest concern is the lack of transparent communication with our independent sector of schooling.

Consequently, I have written to Dan Tehan MP alerting him to my concerns. Here is an extract of the letter for your information.

The Australian Government is considering changing the way it calculates how much support it gives students in our school, using a new method based on our parents' tax returns.

We have serious concerns about the implications for Bayview College, our students and their families if the government proceeds with this new method. Our concerns relate to the stability and long-term planning of our school, and the education of the students whose parents choose an independent education for the son or daughter.

We are concerned about the protection of private and confidential personal information, if the government uses the parents' tax returns to calculate how much government support our students receive for their education.

Parents, in this community, make significant sacrifices, using their after tax income to educate their children in a school that best matches their individual needs. Any reduction in the support they receive will reduce parents' choice.

2018 TERM 3 DATES

Monday 13—Friday 17 August National Science week.

Thursday 16 August Science Expo

Thursday 23 August Book Week Dress up Day

Friday 24 August Staff well-being day. NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Monday 10 September GD Golf Day.

Wednesday 12 September FLOI Graduation Ceremony.

Monday 17 September GWR Athletics Day. Friday 21 September End of Term 3.

2018 TERM 4 DATES

Monday 8 October Start of Term 4.

End of 2018 School year Thursday 6 December.

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Front Cover Photo:

Year 11 students enjoying the snow and slopes at Hotham on their ski camp It is unfair if the government decides to introduce changes that are designed to favour one group of non-government schools for political reason, rather that the needs of children.

I share this information with you so that you are able to read the media articles with deeper understanding. I urge you to follow this debate carefully, and contact me if you would like further information.

Father, we pray for Wisdom

Give those in authority wisdom in every decision, and help them to think clearly. Grant them discernment and common sense so they'll be strong and effective leaders.

Help them to lead and govern with integrity, and may their integrity guide them and keep them on track.

Be merciful to give us leaders who are Spirit-filled and follow Your principles. Direct their steps according to Your Word— for their decisions have a great impact on our lives!

Be their defender and protector, and keep them always on guard. Help them to be strong and courageous. Encourage and strengthen them, giving them the wisdom they need.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Dr Michelle Kearney

Music Festival

Bayview will have students participating in the annual Primary Schools Performing Arts Festival on Tuesday Evening Aug 28 at 7:30pm. (at the Civic Hall) Parent tickets are available from Reception for \$8. The organising committee have decided on the following policy:

All schools have a child protection policy in place in order to protect the disclosure

of confidential information and respect the rights of those not wanting to be included in social media events.

In order to protect the rights of individuals who are performing at the Music Festival, we request that no footage, either photos or videos, be taken, posted or streamed to social media from the performance without the consent of the people involved. We appreciate your understanding on this matter.

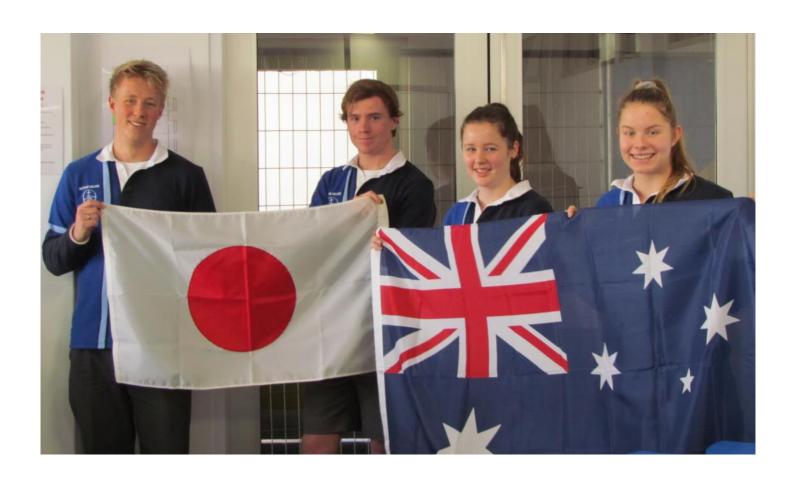
BAYVIEW WELCOME JAPANESE FRIENDS

On Wednesday July 25th, 14 very excited Bayview College students and their family members gathered in the library to wait for the arrival of their new Japanese sisters and brothers. After a quick welcome and few nervous embraces, the Japanese students headed to their new homes for the week.

And....what a week it was!

Thursday saw the Nishi students enjoying their first day experiencing the school life as a Bayview College student. An official welcome assembly was conducted, with wonderfully excited Japanese students introducing themselves and creating a really positive buzz about the school. The students then experienced various classes throughout the day, mixing with an array of year levels and building friendships. On Friday the Nishi students, host students and our Year 9 & 10 Japanese classes embarked on a journey to Halls Gap. First stop was the Halls Gap Zoo where students were able to get close and cuddly with some of the reptiles and other wildlife. This was followed by a delicious Australian Roast lunch with all the trimmings. Afterwards the group went to some of the local sightseeing lookouts to enjoy the magnificent Grampians. They then finished the day with a spot of shopping and time for ice-cream before heading back home. After an action packed weekend organised by host families, the students returned to Bayview on Monday for their last day at school. They joined in with various classes and spent some time with host students and other friends. The end of the day brought a few tears as students realised this was all coming to an end. We welcomed host families back to school for the farewell party. The Nishi students put on a short performance followed by heart felt words of thanks and goodbyes. It was a lovely way to conclude their visit. A huge thankyou to all students, families, staff and others who helped in any way to make the visit such a success. We are now working on the organisation of our return visit, which will occur in June 2019.

Kiyomi Wright & Kaye O'Brien



Sid Kerr, Tom Parker, Madeline Bryant and Rose McHugh carried the Japanese and Australian Flags at the welcome assembly

Friday August 17 GOLD COIN DAY—WEAR A 'FLANNIE' FOR A FARMER

Please come to school wearing a flannelette shirt, and bring along a gold coin donation to help support drought stricken farmers in NSW and QLD. Families wanting to be involved are welcome to send along cash donations.



Japan Visit

From the 25th till the 31st of July I had the opportunity to host a Japanese student from the Osaki Nishi senior high school in Japan. We were able to practice our Japanese, as they could their English. They learnt many new English words and Aussie phrases such as G'day mate, how's it goin' and many more. They tasted lots of new foods, but vegemite was not popular among the Nishi students. There was never a dull moment, and everyone was always smiling while they were here. On Friday the Japanese students and their host siblings went to Halls Gap for the day. We went to the Halls Gap Zoo and all the Nishi students were excited because most of them

had never seen most of the animals before, and we even got to hold a Carpet python which was thrilling for us all. We then went out and had roast chicken for lunch and finished the day in Halls Gap by visiting the lolly shop. On Monday night, a few of the Japanese students and I went to Under Water Hockey and had a blast. They said they had never seen this sport before and were keen to give it a crack. Yusaku (one of the Japanese students) found out that iPhone 7's are not water proof and unfortunately lost all of his photos in the process. There were plenty of tears on the last day as we waved the Japanese students back home. I'm glad to have had this opportunity to host a student from Japan and would definitely recommend hosting a student from Japan. Brock Fell



Year 10 Uni SA Maths Day

Year 10 students travelled to Mount Gambier for a funday of Maths activities, sponsored by Uni SA.

Students took a look at some of the real-world applications of mathematics, including the use of networks for train scheduling and disease control, and the use of smart basketballs and Bluetooth technology to collect data for mathematical analysis

Session 1 - Networks

This session looked Euler's Rule and how it can be used to solve real world network problems such as train timetabling, postal deliveries and disease control. Students solved a variety of network problems and recognised Euler paths and cycles.

Session 2 - Smart Basketballs

Using Fifty basketballs with inbuilt sensors and Bluetooth capability, students participated in a practical session to collect sports data for analysis. They used this data to make comparisons with other student data and to draw conclusions about the performance.











Any students who missed out on the information distributed at EXPO can collect from front office. Initial subject selection forms should now all be returned.



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You'll want to stay!

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