Dear Parents,

Semester 2 has certainly been full of activity and industry and, as usual, there were many highlights which showcased the talents of our students in countless areas. Our Grade 6 Market Day has become an event that we all look forward to with great expectation. This year’s event was a great success, with many budding entrepreneurs coming to the fore. Students designed, made and marketed their wares and then sold them on ‘market day’ in the Ansett Hall. The ‘hands on’ learning that results in this annual activity is phenomenal and I applaud the efforts of our students and those Junior School staff who were involved in the event.

Of course, another high note was the staging of the fun-packed musical, Hairspray. Continuing more than 50 years of performing arts tradition in the School, this show attracted huge acclaim. The faultless singing and the marvellous dance routines were a wonderful testament to the talent of our students and to the coeducational environment of our School. Congratulations to Director, Brendan Carroll, and to all who teamed so beautifully at the Frankston Arts Centre to present a very special production.

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I am pleased that our School continues to attract a wealth of international interest. We have recently hosted staff and students from the Nanjing Foreign Language School who spent 4 weeks with us. Pudong Foreign Language School located in Shanghai will also have representation on campus this Term and we recently hosted a group of visitors from Springwood High School in the UK. Our international reputation as a school of some note is growing rapidly.

I would like to particularly thank those members of our community who found themselves financially able to support our 2014 Annual Giving appeal. Your donations will supplement the operational budget of the School and will be put to very good use in the future development of our campus, particularly the construction of a new Senior School building to be sited adjacent to the Zammit Centre.

I am delighted to announce that the Board has recently established The Peninsula School Trust Fund in response to the growing spirit of philanthropy within our community. I particularly applaud the Founder of the fund, Harry Macdonald OA, (Headmaster 1971-1990), whose recent generous contribution will be reflected in the awarding of the H.A. Macdonald Scholarship beginning in 2015. I would encourage you to make contact with my office (97887705) if you would like to explore the possibility of making a tax deductible donation to the fund, which will help enable students, who would otherwise not be able to attend the School, to experience all that Peninsula has to offer.

I point out that Celebration Evening is scheduled for Tuesday 18 November. We will once again be holding this ceremony at Monash University, Clayton. As usual, it is our expectation that all students in Years 7-12 will attend this event.

Finally, a reminder to parents that in order to avoid a financial penalty, we require notice of one full Term if students are to be withdrawn from the School. With this in mind, please contact me in writing by the end of Term 3 if your child will not be returning to Peninsula at the beginning of 2015. My best wishes for the weeks ahead

Stuart Johnston
Principal

Parking Reminder

Parents are reminded that they are required to drop students off before school in the allocated drop-off areas.

In particular, please DO NOT drop off in front of the Performing Arts Centre even if your child has a musical instrument to carry.

Space the Final Frontier...

Astronaut coming to Peninsula!

We are very much looking forward to the upcoming visit of famous astronaut, General Charles Duke.

We’ve probably all heard General Duke’s voice before in the recordings of the landing of Apollo 11, the lunar mission that took Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin to the surface of the moon. He was the voice which guided these space pioneers down to the surface when they only had a small amount of fuel left.

General Duke’s own flight was Apollo 16 – the second last of the moon landings. He was the 10th man to walk on the moon. Mr Duke has subsequently been very successful in property development, the beverage business and he is now active in Christian ministry.

General Duke will be sharing his life story with our Years 5-8 students between 2pm - 3pm on 16 September in the Ansett Hall.
Dream Catchers
– a law of attraction

A law of attraction dream catcher is simply a visual representation of the things that you want to have, be, or do in your life. It consists of cut-out pictures, drawings and/or writing about the things that you want in your life or the things that you want them to become. The purpose of dream catchers is to activate the law of attraction to begin to pull things from your external environment that will enable you to realise your dream. By selecting pictures and writing that charges your emotions with feelings of passion, you will begin to manifest those things into your life.

Cassidy Hewitt
Junior School Teacher

The Science behind the Law of Attraction

What exactly is the law of attraction? The law of attraction states that what we focus on, we attract into our lives. The more we focus on a positive outcome, the more we have a tendency to receive it, regardless whether it be positive or negative. Our minds are powerful, if we think it, it will happen.

Phoebe Inglis
Year 11

Trancending the Traditional
– and promoting creativity

Creativity can be defined as ‘the ability to transcend traditional ideas, rules, patterns, relationships, or the like, and to create meaningful new ideas, forms, methods, interpretations, etc.; originality, progressiveness, or imagination.’

To imagine was the teaching focus for my Year 4 students to improve creative writing techniques. As a prompt for writing, we read and discussed ‘Imagine A Day’ by Sarah L. Thomson, to promote the possibilities of unreality through the beautifully written text and amazing illustrations by Rob Gonsalves. Students then imagined what it would be like to be blind, following a Chapel Service about Jesus helping a blind man to see. The discussion surrounding this concept was truly amazing.

To teach creative writing using these prompts, students used ‘Timed Writing’ techniques introduced at the commencement of the year. Andy Griffiths, a well-known author of children’s literature, uses ‘Timed writing’ to promote creativity. He believes that teaching creative writing is important for children ‘to write without fear of failure and to externalise the self in whatever voice you own. Your own voice shines back like a mirror and teaches you that your own experiences are valid. To improve skills of communication: no matter how clumsy, your words affect others. Drafting can teach us a great lesson in life: you don’t have to get it right the first time! We are not machines. Life grows, evolves, changes.’

The third imaginative prompt was provided after reading ‘Imagine A Day’ by Elise Hurst. Before commencing ‘Timed Writing’, students were instructed to focus on a ‘Sizzling Start’ to capture the attention of the reader. Thinning time was given to create an engaging opening sentence for their creative writing.

IMAGINE ……..

Imagine the possibilities if we keep providing children with opportunities to use their imagination and to promote creativity.

by Xander Buxton

Lea Waters
– a full on professor

Congratulations to Lea Waters who has shed the “Associate Professor” tag and is now a Professor. Lea has been a part of our Positive Psychology Program since its inception.

Professor Lea Waters (PhD) is a registered psychologist (APPA); a full member of the Australian Psychological Society (APS) and a full member of the APS College of Organisational Psychologists.

At the University of Melbourne, she is: Director of the Positive Psychology Centre Director of Positive Psychology Programs (undergraduate) Lecturer, Masters of Applied Positive Psychology

Phil Doll
Director of Positive Psychology and Marketing

House Competition
– Middle & Senior update

Combined results for Middle and Senior House Cross Country and House Performance are as follows:

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Karen Boag
Convenor of House Activities
highly in his VCE studies. He was looking to take a job in Dandenong. Daniel completed his secondary schooling at Carey Grammar where he was captain of the Senior Swimming team.

Daniel Jackson
- grounded yet flying high

Our Year 11 and 12 boys were fortunate to have Daniel Jackson present to them on the 21st of May. Daniel began by recounting how he found ways to deal with the variety of stress that he felt during his VCE studies. He also spoke of recently attending the funeral for Richmond’s former coach, Tom Hafey and what some of the messages that he took from the service were and how he continued to learn about himself and others.

Daniel spoke about the opportunity for leadership amongst young people and how you had to find something from within to be a leader, but also be willing to make mistakes along the way. Daniel has played an active role with organisations such as the AFLPA, Beyond Blue and Headspace and believes strongly in giving back to community which has provided him with so many opportunities.

Daniel spoke of his occasional struggles during this time and how he found ways to deal with the variety of stress that he felt during this time, a message that resonated well with those in the audience. He also spoke of recently attending the funeral for Richmond’s former coach, Tom Hafey and what some of the messages that he took from the service were and how he continued to learn about himself and others.

A Letter from Ms Mancini
The PAC is an interesting place to work. It’s often volatile, but when you walk through on a daily basis, you’ll find yourself surrounded by people who are creative and inspiring. The students who flock to the PAC are not necessarily there to get the highest ATAR score or find a career path. They are there seeking creativity and inspiration, because whether they realise it or just sense it, they know how valuable that is and how much it contributes to their growth as individuals and allows them to shape their own imaginings into reality.

That is the incredible environment I’ve had the privilege to work in over the past 11.5 years and what has kept me here much longer than I ever expected I would stay.

I had the wonderful opportunity for four weeks of this term to observe this creative fish bowl with only me knowing that my time was coming to an end. Being able to watch the “natives” in their natural environment with that unique perspective allows you to see beyond the trivial, to see the stuff that really matters, the unique and personal connections that the staff and students make, the nurturing, encouragement, the building up and sometimes leveling off of egos, the pushing students way outside their comfort zone and the hand holding as they flourish or flounder as a result... I don’t believe any place in the School does that more intensely than we do in the PAC. And it has been my incredible privilege to be a part of that environment. To work in a place where you feel inspired to be creative.

I feel so blessed to have had the support of so many people while I’ve been building my little empire of singing in one little nock of this amazing place. Every single person that I have worked with and every single experience I have had in my time here has left it’s mark and I am a better teacher and a better person because of it. And it’s the relationships that I have developed with these incredible students, their dedicated parents and these talented staff that made it hard to leave.

To the students: Performances are always memorable, but the best memories that I take with me are those wonderful moments when you finally jumped that hurdle and the satisfied smile that went with it. Don’t every stop trying and believing you can, because sooner or later - you will I’m truly blessed to have met and worked with each of you and I will miss you most of all.

Cello Spectacular

On Sunday 10 August, three senior cello students attended the Cello Spectacular run by AUSTA/VC. They were Alyssa Leong (Year 9), Suzanne King (Year 9) and Jack Cook (Year 10). This is a bi-annual event which assembles a very large group of cello students and teachers, young and old, to perform together in a massed cello ensemble. This year, the guest conductor was the inspiring American cellist/composer, Aaron Minsky. Aaron began his musical career as a guitarist, and his compositions are heavily ‘guitar’ influenced incorporating a lot of ‘pizzicato’ or plucking effects. The pieces are also very ‘rock’ in style and were a lot of fun for the students to be involved with. In addition, one piece was affectively a world premiere as it was the first time it had been performed with the full instrumentation of percussion instruments.

The students were also treated to some inspiring performances, including a 14-year-old recipient of the Paul McDermott violin scholarship, Aaron Minsky performing some of his own ’poppy’ rock and roll pieces and an exceptional cello ensemble from Loreto Mandeville Hall, performing (from memory!) a piece by the renowned Australian composer, Sarah Hopkins. All in all, it was a wonderful musical event and a very enjoyable and worthwhile day for the students.

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Georgia Scott & Adam Wesley
Show Band Directors.

Melbourne Chamber Orchestra Masterclass
On Saturday 21 June, three TPS Violinists were chosen by Mrs Dowdell to attend the Peninsula Music Society Violin Masterclass with Melbourne Chamber Orchestra Violinist and ARCO Chamber Orchestra Concertmaster, Robin Wilson.

Mrs Dowdell chose Ichika Matsumoto (Year 10), Sophie Stuart (Year 9), and Daniel Luwor (Year 5) to play for Robin Wilson and to receive valuable notes on their playing technique. Robin Wilson, Daniel Jackson and Ichika Matsumoto. Past student Matthew Witney was also a bursary recipient.

Pictured at above right are (L-R) Ichika Matsumoto, Sophie Stuart, Robin Wilson, Daniel Luwor, and Sue Dowdell.

To the parents: Thank you all for your kind support over the years. Thank you for encouraging your children to sing and understanding and acknowledging what it can bring to their personal development and education. I take with me many cherished memories and lessons I have learned from your children and hope I’ve left them with some of their own.

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Music of Note – and achievement

What an exciting start to the term the new Show Band has had. With laughter and music bouncing off the walls it was wonderful to welcome our next generation of musicians. New Year 5 students arrived ‘en mass’ and flew straight into action learning various warm up techniques before embarking on our feature pieces for the Grand Music Showcase. It was most satisfying to watch our Year 6 students fall instinctively into the roles of mentors and tutors, forming instant friendships and it was exciting for the Year 5 students to sit alongside older, more experienced musicians. What a sound we’re making with a band of sixty! Stay tuned.

Blair Cooper
Director of VCE Studies
The School with spirit!

PSPA

- welcomes a new president

It is a privilege to be the President of the Peninsula School Parents Association (PSPA). I took over a PSPA that had seen positive change and growth and enjoy record numbers of parents attending the monthly meetings.

The PSPA aims to build friendships within our community and our events and activities support teamwork and involvement in the form of fundraising, which allow us to give back to our school and to various charities which we annually support, such as The Royal Children’s Hospital and Beyond Blue.

In addition to our fundraising efforts, we are committed to building friendships and certainly place great value on the time given to the School by our parents to support PSPA events and other social events such as class morning tea, luncheon and dinners which bring our parents together. Over the few months we have held some very special events such as:

- Welcome Morning Tea events for our intake years K3, Yr5 & Yr7 and many other year levels.
- Our annual Mother’s Day stall - always a highlight for the students and community.
- The biggest Morning Tea for Cancer Research.
- The inaugural Fathers’ Day Breakfast.
- A community ‘Winter Warmer Luncheon’ and welcome to our new families.

We are currently working as a group on:

- Annual Spring Luncheon
- Christmas Market

The PSPA also supports The Peninsula Golf Classic and Brownlow Breakfast, which are both major fundraising events for the School and great fun occasions, where Peninsula families and friends both current and past, can contribute to our fundraising efforts whilst having fun!

An important objective of the PSPA is to provide a forum for discussion of issues of interest to members regarding their children’s educational and social welfare. Many items that have initially been raised at PSPA meetings have been conducive to change and implementation and have had direct benefit to our students and community.

To this end, I will work to continue shaping the PSPA and making the PSPA an organisation run for the parents by the parents.

The PSPA is for you and your support and friendship will enable the PSPA to flourish and strengthen.

I would encourage parents, especially those new to The Peninsula School to become involved in the PSPA and its activities. It is personally rewarding to ‘give back’ and know that you are making a contribution to the life of the School.

The 2014-2015 PSPA Executive committee members are:

President, Paul Hankis

Vice President, Julianne Raymond

Secretary, Jacqueline Hankis

Treasurer, Louisa Warnock

Committee, Lisa Denton, Jenny Di Blasio, Tammy James, Natasha Lyons

Committee/Staff Rep, Suzanne Ashley

Paul Hankis

PSPSA President

Languages

- learning for all reasons

Language Perfect World Championships

All Middle and Senior School students studying French or Chinese were automatically granted entry for the Language Perfect World Championships which took place over a two week period in Term 2. Students were able to compete against their peers from around the world in a variety of on-line vocabulary building exercises. Vocabulary acquisition and retention is a key factor in language success and online tasks enable students to consolidate and extend their knowledge whilst enjoying an element of competition and an opportunity to achieve their personal best.

The following students are to be congratulated for their achievements in the competition - certificates were presented to each of them in Assembly.

French Certificates

Gold: Dana Krause Year 7
Kealy Chambers Year 8
Amambella Warnock Year 8

Silver: Charlotte Field Year 7
William Patson Year 9

Bronze: Emily Witney Year 7
Alyssa Leong Year 8
Emily Savinton Year 9
Zephry Leonand Year 9

Credit: Nicole Rust Year 7
Olivia Sutherland Year 7
Alex YEllours Year 7

Chinese Certificates

Bronze: Holly Gray Year 9

Congratulations to all.

Top Tips for learning French verbs

Learning verbs is one of the trickiest things to do in French but also one of the most important as all sentences need a verb

Year 7 students who have only been learning French for two terms worked together in pairs to create a lesson for their classmates to help them learn the verbs AVOR and ETRE (two of the most important verbs to learn in French).

This was a great opportunity for students to teach their peers and for us to explore a variety of learning styles and ideas.

Here are some of the lesson ideas they came up with - why not try them out next time your French teacher asks you to learn a verb?

- Clover and Rap - ‘say the correct part of the verb and at the same time clap your hands on your knees and hands - start slowly and get faster and faster - great for students who like to ‘watch, listen and do’. Can be done on your own, in pairs, as a group or whole class.
- Powerpoint on avoir or etre - why not make a powerpoint of your own? An example powerpoint could have the following information:- the verbs is written out in full with some good French pictures to make it colourful. You can say the verb whilst looking at the screen, then try and say it without the screen. At the end of the slide are some example sentences for when you might need to use AVOR. The last two sentences use very complex French (the sort you might need for VCE!). It just shows that you need to learn the basics first.
- A YouTube clip of the verbs avoir and etre - watch, repeat, learn the spelling and the pronunciation
- Create a dialogue with the correct parts of the verb in - ‘tu as un animal? Oui, j’ai un chien’ This is using your French in a real-life situation - great!
- Flashcards - why not make yourself some little flashcards with the verb on? Stick them on the fridge! Play pair games with them!
- Why not write out an explanation of how the verb works? A detailed grammatical explanation is great for students who ask the questions. BUT WHY???? Can you explain the grammar to someone else - there is a very good chance that you know it very well!!
- Speed saying!! Work with a partner - one says the English (I am) and the partner responds with the French (Je suis). Start slowly and go faster and faster.

Do you have any good ideas that we haven’t included here? Please feel free to send them to Madame Novogate and we can share them with everyone!

Chinese Painting Experience

On Tuesday 26 August, our Chinese classes were lucky to participate in painting the style of the traditional Chinese paintings known as guóhuà. Guóhuà means ‘national’ or ‘native painting’. These paintings are done with a brush which is dipped in black or coloured ink. We were all given proper brushes to paint these paintings and ink which we mixed with water to change the shade and density of the colour of the black ink. We could choose to paint a picture of an already existing painting and we followed carefully to the styles of painting examples we were given. Some of these included different styles of the paintings; ‘Shan Shui’ were landscape paintings which featured things such as mountains, water and the sky. ‘Ren Wu’ were paintings of flowers and blossoms in it.

Annual Languages Poetry Competition

In August, all students studying French and Chinese in Years 7-11 took part in the annual Languages poetry competition. All students in the same year level prepared the same poem. Students performed their poem in front of their peers and finalists were selected based on strict criteria. Finals took place on Monday 18th August with guest judges and students performed once again. The French judges in particular were very impressed with the high standard this year and all students are to be congratulated on their fine recitations.

Year 7

1st Place: Sam Savory
2nd Place: Daniel Jones
3rd Place: Rhy Wilkinson

Year 8

1st Place: Taylor Kannar
2nd Place: Jock Roymith
3rd Place: Benjamin Tobias-Hoyle

Finalist:
- Elise Burrows
- Oscar Calvert
- Charlotte Mackie
- Emma Giu
- Luca D’Alberto
- Kyle Barnes
- Annabel Arnold
- Alexandros Yallourids
- Thomas Garrett
- Alyssa Miles

Congratulations to all!
We first painted on paper to try out this new style of art, and then we were given a special type of paper to paint our final painting. We all loved painting in this style and listening to the beautiful music being played with a traditional Chinese instrument. Painting in this style also got me to see how they paint the characters too; the strokes in each character are as detailed and beautiful as the paintings. We all had a lot of fun creating our own painting and having an experience of knowing more about the culture of the language we are learning, thus giving us a greater depth and insight into the language we are exploring.

Holly Gray
Year 9

Languages Week
Languages Week in the Junior, Middle and Senior School was packed with a variety of activities for staff, students and parents. Activities for the week included: a lunchtime Boules competition, a True/False French cultural quiz with the lucky winner receiving 50 Chocolate Frogs, a staff poetry competition, French pop music played every morning in the Perry Building and Zammit Centre and tasty French and Chinese treats in the tuck shop and The Commons. Each day Mentor Groups were encouraged to answer the roll in a different language and take part in daily French and Chinese quiz questions and staff tackled the daily task of translating French motivational sayings into English with a chocolate frog as their reward. Junior students took part in a poster competition to publicise Languages Week as well as taking part in a French lunch and a wonderful bilingual puppet show of the story of Sleeping Beauty presented by the Carousel Puppet Theatre. International students ran a lunchtime karaoke with Mr. Lu in a starring role!

Middle School students for Chinese were involved in paper cutting activities during their classtime and a museum excursion to see the Chinese Anzac exhibition with lunch in Chinatown.

The highlight of the week was the second French Languages breakfast, a joint venture between the PSPA and the Languages Faculty. Year 7 and 8 French students were invited to act as waiters and waitresses for the assembled guests, their parents, grand-

Honour was Bonnie Einsiedel (Class of 2008) who spoke with passion about her Language journey since leaving The Peninsula School. She explained what it was like to be a waitress in France. Everybody at the French café was very lovely and it was fun too! I had the chance to try out being a waitress and making the table happy. Of course, I did all of this fabulous waitressing with my friends.

Charlotte Field was a beginning French student who took part and she commented:

What was great about the French café?

Well people may ask, what did you enjoy most of all? It would be then that I’d reply with…. Well I enjoyed speaking French to my wonderful mum and her friends and it was a great taster of what it’d actually be like to be a waitress in France. Everybody at the French café was very lovely and it was fun too! I had the chance to try out being a waitress and making the table I was serving happy. Of course, I did all of this fabulous waitressing with my friends.

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Summer Sport 2014/15 – all year levels

Training for summer sport, for all students, when we return to School in Term 4. The first training session will be on Day 1 – Tuesday 7 October.

A copy of the summer sport training schedule has been place on all main sport notice boards and is also on Zenith. The first round of boys sport for all students is on Saturday 25 October. There is a round of sport for boys first basketball, cricket and tennis on Saturday 18 October.

The first round of girls sport is on Saturday 8 November.

If you have any queries re winter sport please feel free to ring me – 0429 947 479

Stephen Brennan
Director of Sport

Sporting Achievement

Road Relay Championships

A huge field of 254 teams entered by schools from around the State gathered together to compete in the All Schools Road Relay Championships held at Albert Park on Saturday 14 of June. Thankfully the weather was kind and, as always, The Peninsula School Cross Country Squad competed with courage and determination to obtain the best possible results in the quest to win the Co-Ed Schools Premiership trophy. Six, final result confirmed, The Peninsula School – Premier co-ed school.

Medal winning teams in running order:
Gold: U/14 Boys Lachie Enno, Sam Torey, Ben Renzerberg, Jasper Hayes.

SPECIAL MENTION to Jess Dunsmore who posted the 2nd fastest time overall in the U/16 boys section.

Many thanks to all our fantastic support crew and timekeepers, Wayne Allen, Cath Tanshi, Met Cridland, Kately Egan, Melissa Harrison, Yonsan Kim, Lexi Loizou.

AGSV’s Girls’ Cross Country

On Tuesday 22 of July 48 Peninsula Girls led by captain Kayla Walton teamed together to compete amongst a field of 220 athletes from the Girls Grammar schools of Victoria in contest for the AGSV Cross Country Premiership title. In a freezing six degrees and ankle deep mud our fantastic girls dominated their opposition winning by a huge margin to bring the trophy home where it belongs. Kayla Cheasley retained her title for the 3rd year of Open Champion and was named Captain of the AGSV Representative team which will compete against the APS team on 9 August. Seven of our girls also qualified for selection with two others named as emergencies, such a great achievement as it is a team of 10 runners.

Year level medal winners: Year 8 Georgie Torey, 2nd Piper Harrison 3rd Year 9 Tyler Steel 2nd Lauren Coleman 3rd Year 10 Imogen Hoyle, 1st Lachie Enno 2nd Year 11 Kayla Cheasley 1st Riley Cridland 2nd Year 12 Emily Feltgen 2nd.

Cross Country Skiing

The Cross Country Ski Team was blessed with the best training and racing snow conditions for years. Following on from roller ski training at school, Lake Mountain provided at least four beautiful Sunday training days where the students had the opportunity to practice on fresh, fast snow under the care of Mr Heron. Other students including Imogen Hoyle trained with the Victorian Squad in preparation for the Inter Schools held at Mt Buller from the 8 - 10 August. Although our team was down in numbers this year, they performed well in tough weather conditions, as is often the case up on the Tyrol Race Course.

The best performing team was the Division 2 Girls who managed to win Gold in the Classic Race and Bronze in the Skate Race. The team comprised Imogen Hoyle, Charlotte Crouch and Annabel Lecil. Cecilia Jacobs also performed admirably as part of the Boys, Division One Classic and Skate Teams. Her dedication to training certainly paid off and she was able to hold her own amongst the Division 1 Boys. Imogen Hoyle placed second individually in the Classic Race. The Division 2 Boys had two students skiing above their age group, Dan Shayler and Matt Kosenko, who also showed great determination to get great results for the team. The most determined and exciting effort must go to Dakota Turner from Year 2 who raced in the Division 4 Boys relay (Year 5 & 6 Boys) with brother Codly and Christian Faconl and held on to beat an opposition boys team right on the line. The all-round performance of the team allowed The Peninsula School to be placed 2nd in the Co-Educational Schools Division and 5th in the Junior School Division, which were excellent results.

The Junior School students were as keen as ever to race and although in most cases they were competing in older age groups, they managed to finish in the middle of the field. The Team would like to acknowledge the tireless efforts of Mr Heron to organise the Sunday trips to Lake Mountain, the team entries and the very busy weekend at Mt Buller. Thank you also, to Heather Evans for all the accommodation planning and Fiona Wilson for all the administration assistance.

Marg Pike
Physical Education Teacher

Cross Country Championships

After the All School Cross Country Championships held at Bundanoon Park on Saturday 21 June the following Peninsula School students were selected in the Victorian Cross Country team.

Lachie Enno
Piper Harrison
Jess Dunsmore
Georgie Torey
Imi Hoyle
Kelsey Walton
Kately Egan

Sailing

Pictured below is Tyrone Gowans receiving two awards at the recent Yachting Victoria presentation evening. Tyrone, Vice-Captain of the School Sailing team collected the trophies for finishing in third place overall at this year’s School Team Sailing State Championships. The wall plaque is for the highest placed Associated Grammar School (AGSV), at the Championships. This is another excellent result from our sailing team which reflects so well on the dedication and commitment the team demonstrates over a long season.

Stan Austin and Kristian Tiptonvsky were both selected in the Victorian Sailing Team.

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Individual Sporting Achievement

AGSV selection

Congratulations to the following students who were selected in Combined AGSV Winter teams to play the APS at the conclusion of the winter season.

Football
Hayden Cribbin-Rigg
Jake Lovett & Jacob Weitering – emergencies

Soccer
Alex Hopson – emergency

Basketball
Harry Van Dort – emergency

Basketball
Stephanie Reid (Captain), Chelsea Watkins
Eliza West & Leah Carpenter – emergencies

Co-Captain
Kelsie Walton (Captain), Kayla Cheasley, Imogen Hoyle, Georina Torey, Piper Harrison, Riley Cridland, Tyler Steel

Netball
Emily Feltgen & Lauren Colin - emergencies

Basketball
Charlotte Crouch
Madeleine Pierce – emergency

Basketball
Tyson Grant

Basketball
Claudia Balfour (Year 9) and Eliza West (Year 11) were members of the Southern Peninsula Sharks U /18 Girls team that won the National Classic Basketball Tournament last term.

“The Classic” brings together the best teams of each age group from all states of Australia. The girls beat teams from NSW, VIC and SA, finally beating Stuart Sabres from SA in the Grand Final on Monday. This is a great effort, and the win means they are now ranked the number 1 team in the nation for their Age group.

Karate
Congratulations to Zac Andrewartha (Year 8), Henry Moses (Year 5), Jake Coloretti (Year 8) and Max Coloretti (Year 6), who were selected to join the Victorian Karate Team to compete in the AIF Nationals in Perth in August.

Snowsports

Congratulations to Ally Stannus (Year 11) who recently won the ‘King of the Mountain’ competition at Mt Buller in every event. (Giant Slalom, Parallel giant slalom and skier cross), an amazing achievement!

Aerobics

Congratulations to Ebony Dike (Year 9) who qualified to compete with the Victorian team at the Aerobics National Championships at the Gold Coast in August.

Rugby

Congratulations to Domenic Shiner (Year 8), Jake Coloretti (Year 8) and Max Coloretti (Year 6), who were selected to join the Victorian Karate Team to compete in the AIF Nationals in Perth in August.

Touch Football

Congratulations to Callum Parton who (Year 11) was selected in the Combined AGSV Winter teams to play the APS at the conclusion of the winter season.

Football
Congratulations to Tom Freeman (Year 9) who was selected in the SSV’s Metropolitan team to compete at the School Sport Australia 15 Years and Under Australian Football Championship in Sydney last holidays.

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