



The University High School

SCHOOL NEWS

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THE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Ms Bronwyn Valente

Welcome to Term 2. As usual it will be a very full term.

The athletics sports were a great success, as was the Year 12 Drama production in the new space backstage of Sharman Hall.

I am sure all parents would have welcomed the opportunity to attend parent teacher evening this week.

Six students from Year 12 2001 have received Premier's Prizes. These awards are made to the top five or ten students in the study in the state.

This year the following have received this prestigious award for outstanding academic achievement in the listed study:

Steven Graham	Theatre Studies
Siobhan Kavanagh	International Studies
Emma Skillington	Literature
Madeleine Johnston	LOTE - Indonesian
Andrew Kwok	Mathematics
Thomas Firth	Music History and Styles.

James Zhao, a Year 12 student of the School was the top Chemistry student in Victoria in the Rio Tinto Australian Science Olympiad. At the national selections, James was ranked 6th in Australia.

Congratulations to all students on their achievements.

This term there have been minimal staff changes. Ms Didrichson retired at the end of Term 1 and Ms J. Stary has been permanently appointed to the school.

Welcome also to Ms Kate Marquard in the library as Mr Lane will be retiring mid Term 2.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council election of parent representatives was held late in Term 1. Thank you to the nine interested parents who were willing to give their time to the school. After the final count, Ms Gaye Champion, Mr George Hatzis and Ms Susie Orzech were elected.

Other Council members are:

Parents: Ms Jacqueline Simmons, Mr Kerry Sharp, Mr Lester Townsend

DE&T: Dr Ric Benson, Ms Christine Bozyk, Mr Kevin Campbell and Ms Mary Cannon

Co-opted: Dr Russel Grigg, Ms Eleni Hatzis, Ms Vivienne Topp, one position to be filled.

The Principal is a voting member of Council who acts as Executive Officer.

At the first meeting of the new Council in April, the office bearers were elected. Congratulations to:

Mr Lester Townsend - President
Mr Kerry Sharp - Vice President
Ms Christine Bozyk - Secretary
Ms Mary Cannon - Treasurer.

At this meeting there was some discussion regarding the composition and role of Council sub-committees.

The Triennial Review has been completed and the Verification Report received. The reviewer endorsed the School's report and recommendations for the next Charter. Mr Ken Cunningham, the reviewer, will report to the Council on May 15th, 2002 at 8.00pm. Interested parents are invited to attend.

The Council will also consider a proposal from the Parents' Association to offer a conference to parents on participation in the school.

Plans for the GTAC building are not yet finalised as a number of technical issues in relation to the car park are being fully investigated.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

- Friday 3: School photographs - years 11 & 12.
Friday 10: School photographs - years 7 to 10.
Thursday 23: Year 7 Hepatitis B first immunization.
Year 10 & Year 9 AP Diphtheria & Tetanus immunization.
Friday 24: Student-free day; staff professional development. (Note change of date)
Thursday 30: School Open Afternoon, 1:30 - 3:30pm.

June

- Thursday 6: Mid-year Concert.
Monday 10: Happy birthday, Elizabeth II.
Tuesday 11: VCE Unit 1 & 3 examinations begin.
Thursday 13: General Achievement Test (GAT), year 12.
Student-free day; report writing.
Wednesday 19: Music Rehearsal Camp begins.
Monday 24: Year 10 (& Year 9 AP) Work Experience begins.
Friday 28: Term Two ends: 2:30pm dismissal.

July

- Monday 15: Term Three commences.

SCHOOL NEWS PUBLICATION DATES

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| Term 2: | May 3 | June 7 |
| Term 3: | August 2 | September 6 |
| Term 4: | October 25 | November 29 |

For contribution deadlines, count back
9 days from publication dates.

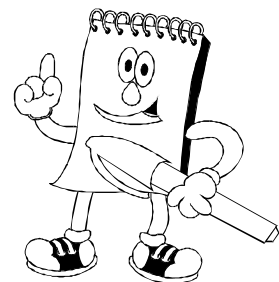
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The PA meets in the school staffroom on the 4th Monday of each month.
All parents are welcome to attend. The next meetings are:

- Monday 27 May, 7:00pm
Monday 24 June, 7:00pm

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Wednesday 15 May, 7:30pm
Wednesday 19 June, 7:30pm



SCHOOL CAMPING PROGRAM

Ms M Baxter, Camps Coordinator

YEAR 7 CAMP 2002

Year 7 students attended a three-day orientation camp at Camp Goodiwindi in Wandin. Students participated in various activities including, flying fox, survival skills, archery, swimming, bush dancing and initiative activities, along with a visit to Healesville Sanctuary. This year's camps were particularly well attended with 171 of a possible 182 students attending. Students have certainly returned knowing more of their classmates and teachers, and all of them seem to have an improved level of confidence which should get them off to a good start at University High School.

I would like to thank all of the students who made the camp a success and a special thanks to all staff - Mr. Coles, Ms. Tarr, Mr. Jones, Mr. Murray, Ms. Chetty, Ms. Bozyk, Mr. Batters, Ms. Callery, Ms. Malkin, Ms. Fragiacom, Ms. Newbold, Ms. D'Adamo, and Ms. Duviani - who gave up valuable time to be a part of the camp.

We now look forward to next year's camp on the 3rd Feb to the 12th Feb 2003.

YEAR 10 SURF CAMP

Year 10 students attended a four-day surf camp at Anglesea where they stayed at the Anglesea Surf Club. Students completed sessions in surf awareness, body boarding, surfing, sea-kayaking and initiative challenges. Students also helped with the preparation of food. The camp again proved to be a success with most students being able to stand on the surfboard by the end of the week and some students were even doing some tricks as well. In fact I believe that Laurens Goud may have entered the Rip Curl Easter Classic - he improved that much on the camp!

Thank-you to all of the students who attended the camp and especially to the staff - Mr. Batters, Ms Klopsteins and Ms Patterson - without whom the camps cannot run.

I look forward to another successful camp next year on the 25th to the 28th of February 2003.

YEAR 8 AND 9 CAMPS 2002

These camps will take place during term 4 this year. The year eight camp is an adventure camp at Phillip Island Adventure Resort and will take place on the 25th to the 29th November. Students will participate in a range of activities including surfing, ropes courses, giant swing, canoeing, cycling, swimming, bush-walking and penguin parade. Our aim is to get all of the year eight students to attend this exciting and challenging camp.

Year nine students have three camps to choose from all of which will take place during the 10th November to the 15th of November. The three camps are: a six-day white water rafting camp on the Snowy River, a 4-day Canoe Camp on the Murray River and a 4-day Camp at Cape Otway where students will do bush walking, horse riding, a camp out and an aboriginal program.

Information concerning these camps was given out in the last week in term one. If your child has not received the information please contact the sub-school or Ms. F Donohue.

FROM THE CAREERS OFFICE...

The Australian National University (based in Canberra) is having Information days for prospective students and their parents May 6 - 8. All activities are being held at the Administration Centre Foyer, Scotch College, Morrison St, Hawthorn. General enquiries should be directed to Jenny Carlin at ANU 02-61255643 or jenny.carlin@anu.edu.au

A resource that could be very useful to students and their families is The Australian Workplace portal www.workplace.gov.au. This Internet site provides a wealth of information on employment, government assistance, jobs, careers, training and working conditions. It is a free service to all Australians. Australian Workplace is also the gateway to a range of sites including JobSearch, Careers and VolunteerSearch.

UNIVERSITY HIGH STUDENTS EXHIBIT AT MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY

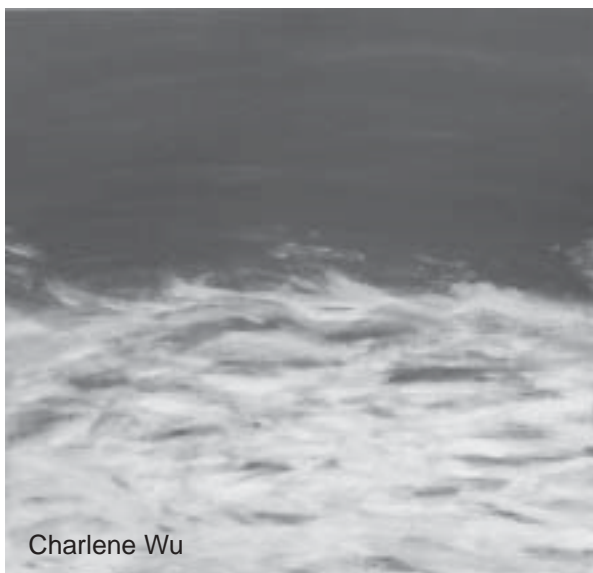
**Ms Wendy Hutchison
Assistant Art Coordinator**

During February to April, Year 12 Studio Arts students have exhibited in the Baillieu Library as part of the Melbourne University's "Art in the Library" program.

The last two year's classes have had this opportunity, which has been very rewarding to see the art works on display in the public arena. The works have plenty of space to be viewed individually, in contrast to the necessarily crowded format of the school exhibition.

Six works were reproduced on postcards and bookmarks as part of the publicity for the show. It has been a boost to the students to receive much positive feedback about their work, passed on from the staff of the Library, as well as a thrill for family and friends to see the work in a more professional setting.

It has been an excellent experience for the student's CV, a talking point for those going to tertiary interviews and there has also been a sale offer!



Charlene Wu



Jessica Na



Sarah Kerr



Josh Morshead

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

The annual UHS-*Essence* Photographic Competition is back for 2002. After two highly successful years, we are hoping that this year will prove to be just as popular.

Changes to the format, introduced to reflect the variety of entries received last year, have been retained this year with minor variations.

Entry is free and open to all students in the school. Competition rules and entry forms are available from room 306 or the general office, or students can download them from our Intranet where some of the entries from the past two years may also be viewed. (I hope that these pages will soon be accessible from the school's website so that you can check them out from home as well.)

Entries are now open and will be accepted up to the end of term three, so there is plenty of time to snap that stunning pic.



As always, we are on the lookout for judges. So if any of you out there in the school community have some expertise in still photography and would like to play a part in the judging, please contact Mr Graham Viney at your convenience.

Our sponsors, McManus Architects and Consultants, are supporting us again for the third year and we encourage you to visit their website at www.mcmanusarchitects.com.au to see if there might be any services they can offer you.

In the meantime, encourage your children to dust off the Box Brownie and get snapping. Photography is lots of fun and there are plenty of categories in the competition to cater for most tastes - not to mention the cash prizes on offer!

DEBATING

Ms B Phillips

University High is again involved in debating this year. We are debating in the Mercy Region - although there is nothing merciful in a good uni-high debater when it comes to the cut and thrust of argument. The school has seven teams in the competition and they have done very well in the first two rounds. The dedication of these debaters (and their helpers) is shown by the fact that all preparation and competition is done in students' own time. We are very grateful to parents who often have the onerous task of driving to the venue. But there is nothing onerous in watching debates, so if you are interested in coming along you would be most welcome.

The dates are: May 7 and 28, and July 17.

Venue: Mercy College, Sydney Rd, Coburg.

Times: Years 11 and 10 at 7:00pm; Years 12 and 9 at 8:00pm.

OUTSTANDING MATHEMATICAL SUCCESS!

Mrs E MacLaren

Andrew Kwok (Year 12) was invited to attend the 2002 International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) Selection School in Sydney. Thirteen senior students in Australia were invited to participate and were in contention for the team of six to represent Australia.

University High School is very proud to acknowledge Andrew's outstanding achievement in being selected for the team. We congratulate him and wish him every success at the International Mathematical Olympiad, which will be held in July in Glasgow, Scotland.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Mr G Marchant

Many exciting things are happening at UHS with regard to student activities. This is largely a result of a very highly motivated group of students at the school who have been instrumental in a number of initiatives. Of particular interest is The Lord Mayor's Charitable Fund, under the guidance of mentors from the Melbourne City Council. This pilot scheme has enabled six students from Year 11 to undertake a crucial role in decision-making in regard to charities in 2002.

Iain Finlayson's report about other activities follows.

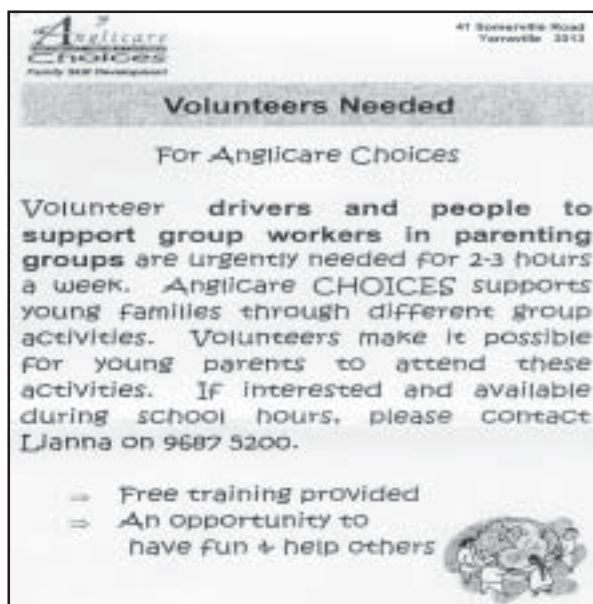
SRC REPORT

Iain Finlayson, Secretary

The Student Representative Council (SRC) has had a great start to 2002. Office bearers were elected early in the year and have all remained unchanged from last year. The office bearers are: President - Eleni Hatzis (Yr 12), Vice-President - Rini Krousos (Yr 11), Secretary - Iain Finlayson (Yr 11), Treasurer - James O'Maley (Yr 12), Minutes Secretary - Rebecca Hughes (Yr 12). Year 7 positions on the SRC were finalised in the first week of this term. The Year 7 representatives are as follows: Chapman - Zach Oakes, Sharman - Rory O'Maley and Brookes - Andy Kitchen.

So far this year the SRC has undertaken many exciting projects. These include working with the Administration to install a more secure bike facility for students in the old locker cage. This facility is now open for students who ride their bike to school, and is far superior to the old facility for keeping bikes "out of the weather" and secure. The SRC would also like to recommend all students use D-locks on their bikes rather than chains. Chains can be easily cut and an alarming number of bikes have been lost from the school in this way.

The SRC is also doing a lot of work with the canteen in 2002. This includes choosing a colour scheme for the repainting of the canteen, choosing new furniture and reviewing the canteen menu. A number of colour alternatives were recently displayed in the library and students were asked for their opinions on each. The response was extremely positive and the Canteen Colour Committee is now working with Ms Hutchinson to finalise which colours will be used and where. Once



The poster is for Anglicare Choices, located at 41 Spenservale Road, Yarraville 3012. It is titled "Volunteers Needed For Anglicare Choices". The text states: "Volunteer drivers and people to support group workers in parenting groups are urgently needed for 2-3 hours a week. Anglicare CHOICES supports young families through different group activities. Volunteers make it possible for young parents to attend these activities. If interested and available during school hours, please contact Ljanna on 9687 5200." Below the text, there are two bullet points: "Free training provided" and "An opportunity to have fun + help others". There is a small circular logo on the right side of the poster.

this has been done a final decision will also be made on the furniture. One option currently being explored is the metallic "alfresco dining" style furniture often seen in Lygon Street and other outdoor eating areas. On the issue of the canteen menu the SRC is campaigning for more homemade and healthy items. The canteen management has agreed to trial some of our ideas. The SRC is also pushing for real coffee, which we believe will keep more VCE students on campus during free sessions.

Other projects include a "Rock Eisteddfod" style concert over two lunchtimes in term 3. The concert will include performances by student bands, DJs, dancers, comedy acts and short plays. As well as this the SRC is setting up the SRC Awards to recognise extraordinary achievements by UHS students in "out-of-school" activities.

The SRC has set up the Charity ACTION Group to undertake and coordinate charity work within the school. Although the Charity ACTION Group is officially a subcommittee of the SRC it is open to all students. Anyone who is interested in helping to raise awareness and funds for important charity work is invited to attend. The first meeting of the Charity ACTION Group was held early this term and the SRC was extremely pleased with the large turn out. It was decided at the meeting that the group would promote the 40 Hour Famine and organise events for Red Nose Day this term. Please stay tuned for more information if you would like to get involved.

Finally we would like to remind all students that SRC meetings are open to everyone. Please come along and give us your suggestions/ideas. Check the Student Bulletin for meeting times.

SPORTS RESULTS

Ms S Hafey

SWIMMING

Congratulations to Sam Forbes of 7S1 on his sensational performance at the recent VSSSA Swimming State Final. Sam was the only student from University High to make it all the way through to the State Final, held at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre on March 27th. He represented the school in the under 13 category for 100m metres Butterfly, Backstroke and Freestyle. Sam won the Butterfly (in a personal best time), came second in Backstroke and sixth in Freestyle. He was also selected to compete in the All Schools Swimming Championships on April 27th. Congratulations Sam and good luck for the 27th.

TERM ONE INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

University High School was represented by many talented sporting teams last term. The competition at the intermediate and senior level was particularly strong. The term was a success for many of our junior teams. We produced some great results with 8 teams making it through to the Northern Zone Finals, which were held on April 23rd (except Yr 8 Girls Cricket which will be held in October). Teams to win through to the Zone Finals were:

YEAR 7	YEAR 8
Boys Baseball	Boys baseball
Boys Tennis	Boys Tennis
	Girls Tennis
	Girls Softball
	Girls Cricket
	Boys Volleyball

Congratulations to all teams for making it to the Zones, unfortunately none of these teams progressed to the VSSSA State Finals.

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to all those students who competed at our recent University High School Athletics Carnival. Winners for each age group will now go on to compete and represent the school at the Section D Athletics Championships on Thursday May 11th at Meadowglen. Good luck to all involved. Thanks also to all staff and students who helped on the day to make our carnival a success.

UHS-VU FOOTBALL CLUB REPORT

UHS-VU is the Old Scholars football club of University High School. We were formed in the 1930s and compete in the VAFA.

We play in the Green and Tan of Uni High and train and play at Brens Oval in front of Melbourne Zoo.

This year the club has started to form an affiliation with Victoria University as a way of strengthening our player base, hence VU has been added to the name.

We have two teams and will welcome any past or current Uni High students who want to play or be involved in football.

This year we hope to become more involved with the school's teams.

If you are interested in running, or some part time work, the club is looking for boundary umpires, who must be over 15 years of age.

To contact us call Greg Catterall on 9212 1528 or 0417 564 856, or check our website www.uhsobvu.com.

So far we've played two games. Both teams were successful against Bulleen Cobras and last week the Reserves had a good win against Rupertswood. However in the Seniors, Rupertswood were a much stronger opponent and their first quarter lead of 9 goals led to us playing catch up all day.

Seniors			
Rd 1			
UHS-VU	13.7.85	Bulleen Cobras	8.8.56
Rd 2			
UHS-VU	7.11.53	Rupertswood	28.12.180
Reserves			
Rd 1			
UHS-VU	11.11.77	Bulleen Cobras	3.7.25
Rd 2			
UHS-VU	17.19.121	Rupertswood	8.6.54

All home games are at Brens Oval in Royal Park - all welcome.

NEXT GAMES:

Rd 3	Home v Albert Park
Rd 4	away v Eltham (22 K1)
Rd 5	Home v Box Hill North
Rd 6	away v Old Westbourne (203 D7)
Rd 7	Home v Mt Lilydale
Rd 8	away v North Brunswick (30 A5)
Rd 9	Home v St Marys



THE UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL
FACULTY OF MUSIC

presents

2002 MID YEAR CONCERT

MS SHARMAN HALL

THURSDAY 6TH JUNE

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