BUILDING FUND BENEFITS OUR STUDENTS

Thank you to all of our parents who have been able to contribute to the FCC Building Fund over the past few years. The fund has accumulated approximately $45,000 and we have now put most of this towards a makeover of our Theatre and the extension of the Senior Study Centre.

Approximately $12,000 went towards our Theatre renovation with re-polishing the floor, re-painting and re-carpeting. All was completed just before the school musical, so our performers and audience could appreciate a venue that was a little more glamorous than in the past. The remainder of the fund money was put towards the rather extensive renovation of the Senior Study Centre. Not only do we now have a large, pleasant and comfortable internal space, but the adjoining balcony has become a very green space thanks to some astro-turf. The contributions to this fund have been much appreciated, and it is terrific that our students are able to enjoy the benefits of these improvements to facilities that would not have been possible without these contributions.

13 – ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL STUDENT PRODUCTION

For all of us who were fortunate enough to attend the school musical 13, we were treated to a highly entertaining, witty and lively show. Our cast very convincingly took us through the pains and angst of turning 13 and life in small town USA. FCC has a strong and well-earned reputation in the performing arts arena, and our students' performances in 13 certainly ensured that this reputation remains intact.

One of the strengths of this musical is that it had a greater number of significant roles than many shows. This of course gave more of our students the opportunity to display their talents, and there was certainly boundless talent and energy throughout the entire performance. Our very accomplished musicians from the band are also to be commended not just on their musical ability, but also on their stamina where they played almost non-stop. There is also the production crew – those who produced high quality sound and lighting effects, and others who worked as a superb team doing all of the backstage work to make the performance the success that it was.

Congratulations to all 66 students who were involved in one way or another in providing us with a wonderful show. Also congratulations and thank you to all of our drama, dance and music teachers for their dedication and commitment to the students and the production, especially Emily Unt Wan – the director, Margaret Erickson – choreographer, Emma Schmidt – costumes and sets, Louise Rankin, vocals, Paul Dooley, David Borg, Mark Gusman and Rodney Hales – music rehearsals.

Please read more acknowledgements and thankyous below from our director, Emily Unt Wan.

Maria Bawden - Principal

I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to the teachers and support staff who helped support our school musical ‘13’ this year. Whether you helped with the rehearsal process, set construction, music, expert tuition, front of house or simply attended a performance, we thank you!

I would also like to thank all the families who supported the school and their children during the rehearsals and production. It is a long and exhausting process and I’m sure there were more than a few grumpy over tired children before the end. Your children are brilliant and so are you!
The show was a huge success, with two of the shows selling out and excellent crowds at the other two and I have been getting so much positive feedback both internally and externally from people who attended that it warms my heart. I couldn’t be prouder of our students and their dedication and enthusiasm to ‘13’. Over 50 students were involved on stage, in the band, backstage and in the technical crew and they all played an integral role in making our production run as smoothly as possible. It is no secret that I believe we have the most unique and talented students in Melbourne, but once again you totally exceeded my expectations. I am truly astounded by you all.

A special congratulations are in order for our year 12 students involved this year. It is a very emotional time for them as many have been involved in our school productions for much of their school life. I really appreciate their leadership and contagious enthusiasm and wish them all the best. I’m sure the friendships and memories they have formed in the theatre will last for many years to come.

*Emily Unt Wan - Director*

As they say in the classics it’s been a BIG couple of weeks in Science at FCC - as always!

**MARIE CURIE GIRLS SCIENCE CLUB**

The Marie Curie Girls Science Club has been in full swing, ably led by Chief Enviro-Warrior *Elaine Rose*. We have had three fantastic speakers in the last fortnight who have shared their pathway into and experiences within the Science community.

*Dr Juan Shi*, Joanne to her friends at FCC she insisted, is a senior lecturer at Victoria University in Engineering and she shared her early educational experiences with us and outlined her current role as an ambassador for women in the Sciences. She brought along two of her PhD students to explain their more recent journey into Science as young women while amazing us with the salaries on offer for grad students in the Sciences and Engineering in particular, especially compared to the average starting wages for other Non-Science graduates.

*Dr Johanna Thomson*, a Paediatrician with Médecins Sans Frontière, shared some of her inspirational, and confronting, experiences in Africa and Afghanistan but more importantly her journey from country Victoria to Third World mud huts and makeshift hospitals through her commitment to education and love of Science and Medicine. All our girls were truly inspired by both her compassion and altruism, truly dedicating herself to others, ‘doing what she can’. An amazing woman.

*Dr Joanne Britto*, Florey Research Fellow at the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health associated with the University of Melbourne, was yet another in a long line of impressive scientists who shared her experiences, as a woman in particular, in the dog eat dog world of Academia. The last in a ‘Triumvirate of Jo’s’, Joanne was particularly enamoured with the energy of the sciences at FCC and expressed to myself and others how impressed she was with our girls enthusiasm and general scientific knowledge. She was overwhelmed with the barrage of questions at the end of her talk in an impromptu ‘Stump the Scientist’ session.

**Environmental Defenders and Girls in Science Primary Mentoring**

Footscray City College Environmental Defenders and Marie Curie Girls Science Club members have been doing an excellent job mentoring local primary school students in Science and teaching about the problem of ocean acidification. The girls prepared an interactive presentation and small group science demonstrations where they taught the primary students about the carbon cycle and how burning fossil fuels has impacted upon it, how we measure pH, and the impact of carbon dioxide on ocean pH. The girls have been awesome so a huge thank you to Tia Altschwager, Flavia Hai, Elise Elliot, Matilda Colebrook, Roma Bond, Madi Peake, Lucy Redmond, Bethany Edmiston, Josephina Silva, Izy Sturmey, and Montana Alguera-Lara.

**Endeavour Roadshow**

The Endeavour Roadshow is an outbound schools outreach program, from the University of Melbourne, which gives secondary school students across Victoria the opportunity to experience an exciting introduction to Engineering. This year they worked with our Year 10 Physics and Chemistry students.

A team of engineering undergraduates teach our students about core Engineering concepts conducting an impressive presentation enhancing the schools Science curriculum. Each presentation is in the style of an interactive workshop to increase fun and facilitate tactile learning.
Students are engaged in the demonstrations through technical applications they participate in that are accessible to a young audience delivered by young adults.

**OCEAN ACIDIFICATION SCIENCE AND ART CHALLENGE**

At the end of last term all students in years 7, 8 and 9 participated in a cross curricular unit focusing on the problem of ocean acidification. All students learnt about the science of the phenomena and then conveyed their learning in the form of an art piece. Students across all year levels produced high quality and inspirational pieces. A teacher panel then assessed the year 9 works and selected 6 “top art pieces” in order to select one entry for a statewide art competition run through Ocean Ark Alliance. The selected works were created by Oscar Lillicrap, Albert Arellano, Matilda Colebrook, Karlan Macardy, Shea Grant and Siman Adan. It was a very tough decision as they were all of a very standard but in the end Shea’s piece *Weeping Sea* was submitted to RMIT gallery for state judging. Her work was selected as 1 of 15 top finalists to be displayed at an exhibition being held at Federation Square. Her work was selected out of hundreds of entrants across the state. Congratulations to Shea for her effort in producing an exceptional painting. Shea’s painting will be available for public viewing at The Atrium, Federation Square from the 12th - 19th of August. The top pieces from all participating year levels will be displayed at the college art show in Term 4.

*Adam Taylor - Head of Science*

**ENGLISH NEWS**

This term there are several exciting activities for the students. During the first week a group of our students attended Victoria University’s Writing Enrichment Day which they run each year. Students attended two workshops throughout the day run by the Communication faculty lecturers. These are hands on workshops where students explore a number of different writing styles including; script writing, poetry, life writing, children’s literature and others. The students who attended from year 10 and 11 gained a great deal from this day as they had the opportunity to meet students from a range of schools as well as practising writers.

During the second week of this term our year 12 students attended an in-house theatre production of the Louis Nowra’s play *Cosi*. The Complete Works Theatre Company have become a regular part of both our junior and senior English program and do a wonderful job of explaining their production and taking the time to chat to the students following the performance. Later in this term they will return to perform Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet for our year 10 students.

Next Tuesday all year 9 students will be attending a talk in the library by the author A. J. Betts. This has been organised by Dan Micallef from the library in conjunction with The Sun Bookshop in Yarraville.

Later this month, Wednesday 28th August, we have our annual The Big Read in the library. Students are asked to register their interest on the slips in the library. There are fabulous prizes for best dressed, trivia lit competition and most creative silent reading position. This event is always great fun and acts to further promote reading in the school.

The following day, Thursday 29th August, a group of students will be attending The Melbourne Writer’s Festival. Students had to register their interest and places filled so quickly Dan and I will try to book two days next year as it has become so popular.

Finally, there is an opportunity for our budding authors to win great prizes for their writing. They need to go to [www.write4fun.net](http://www.write4fun.net) to look at the entry details and have a go. We have many talented writers so they should submit their efforts.

*Carol Hogan - English / Literacy Coordinator*

**PIANO LESSONS**

If any students are interested in taking piano lessons at school at a cost of around $30 per lesson, let me know by email dooley.paul.p@edumail.vic.gov.au

If there is enough interest, I will find a suitable piano teacher.

*Paul Dooley - Music Coordinator*

**AUSSIE AUTHOR A.J.BETTS VISITING FCC LIBRARY**

All of our Year 9 students will be treated to a talk from Perth based author and teacher A.J. Betts, who won the Text Prize for Young Adult and Children’s Writing for her latest novel *Zac & Mia*.

The story follows two teens with cancer, in next door rooms of an oncology ward, tapping on the wall between them. They eventually have contact through Facebook and email and carefully gather information about each other, all the while trying to avoid discussing the reason for being in the ward. This is similar thematically to the current Year 9 text *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green and so we thought this talk would give the students another insight into...
the topic of terminal illnesses and how different people cope with them. A.J. Betts spent some time teaching in an oncology ward so she has first-hand experience on the subject. The novel has seen rave reviews, here’s what some have said about the book:

‘[Zac & Mia] is an outstanding novel about the stuff of life that really matters. There will be laughter, there will be tears, some of which will be for the truly amazing Zac and Mia and all their real life counterparts. Most of all there will be joy. You will not want to put this book down once you start to read it.’ The Hoopla

‘The writing was close to perfect. A. J. Betts effortlessly created a story, while daringly similar to John Green’s, still equally fascinating and touching.’ YA Midnight Reads

It is due to the fantastic people at The Sun Bookshop in Yarraville that our students get another great opportunity to hear from a successful writer and I’d like to thank them very much for that. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions and also to buy books and get them signed. Copies of Zac & Mia will sell for $19.99 and Betts’ previous novel Wavelength will also be available for $17.95. The talk will take place in the library at 1:40pm on Tuesday 13th August.

A CRASH OF RHINOS: FCC QUIZ NIGHT
On Friday 6th September the Friends of Footscray City College and FCC Library will be hosting a quiz night like no other! It will be a night of trivial frivolity with music, games, a silent auction and prizes galore! You don’t want to miss this FUNdraiser! All proceeds will be shared between the Friends of Footscray City College and the Library in order to improve services to the school community.

The evening will be held upstairs in the library and begins at 6:30pm for a 7pm start. Drinks will be available at bar prices. You can bring your own food, or $15 large pizzas can be ordered on the night. Entry is $12 per person or $80 for a table of eight (that’s only $10 each!). Get in quick seats are limited! Tickets are available online now through the school website or at: http://www.trybooking.com/DHWP

ATTENTION STUDENTS IN YR 10,11,12 PATHWAYS INFORMATION
Law Workshop Sept 20 2013 ACU
Have you ever thought about what a career in the law might be like? Do you have questions about the legal profession you want an expert to answer? If so, this “Next Step” Law workshop at ACU Melbourne campus is for you.

At this one day event you will gain insights and learn about the many different law profession roles involved in criminal casework, trials, and commercial legal disputes:

The morning session discusses the complexities of the law of murder and the procedures of a real criminal trial, using the high profile Peter Dupas trial as a case study.

The afternoon session discusses intellectual property and music, in particular the ownership of riffs in popular songs, using a recent music industry case study.

Throughout the day you will be able to ask questions of legal experts from ACU and their industry partners. You will also get to work in groups, role-playing different legal situations.

For more details please email footscray@mac.com

Sunday August 18 Open Day at Melbourne University 10.00am – 4.00pm
University of Melbourne Parkville and Southbank campuses
Find out all you need to know about applying, scholarships, pathways to graduate courses and special entry programs at the University of Melbourne.

We look forward to seeing students, parents and careers practitioners there!
For information on session times and venues, go to: www.openday.unimelb.edu.au

GET THE EDGE at VU
Every year VU offers a series of free VCE Revision Lectures in September and October to give Year 12 students ‘the edge’ in preparing for their exams and assessments. The 2013 series will have lectures in Biology, Physics, Chemistry and Accounting, English, Maths Methods, Psychology, Legal Studies and Vietnamese. These lectures are offered free of
charge and are delivered by qualified VCE assessors and teachers. Registrations will open later this month.

The LEAP project teams in LAW and HEALTH have designed some activities for students during the next school holidays. Individual students can register for these events online.

• The LEAP into HEALTH project team have created a workshop for Year 10, 11 and 12 students who are interested in working in a Health profession after they have completed school. The event will be held at The Alfred Hospital in Prahran on 27th September between 9.30 and 1pm. There are 100 places available for students throughout the state. Students can able to log on to apply for this event at http://www.leap.vic.edu.au/leap-activities/health and register into the “Next Step’ Health Workshop (HEA-04).

• The LEAP into LAW project team have created a workshop for Year 10, 11 and 12 students who may be interested in studying Law after they complete school. This event is running on the 20th of September at Australian Catholic University in Fitzroy and will focus on a criminal law case and copyright laws related to music. Students can register for this event online at http://www.leap.vic.edu.au/leap-activities/law and click the link to the “Next Step” Law workshop. A flyer is attached which provides more details of this event.

The workshops are free for students.

Email footscray@mac.com for more details on the above information, or students can speak to Chris Lovelock, our Pathways Coordinator or Juli Black, our Careers Counsellor regarding all aspects of their future career choices, and pathways to make those choices a reality.

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QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 6th September - 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

Prizes for winning team

Silent Auction

Lucky door prize

Tables of 8

$12 per person or $80 per table

BYO food or Pizza will be available for $15 each

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Second Hand Uniforms
Dates for Term 3
Tuesday 13 August  3.00pm – 6.00pm
Tuesday 10 September   3.00pm – 6.00pm

Improvements to Service

- In addition to the above dates, garments for sale can now be left at the FCC Office between 8.30am - 4.30pm. Garments left at the office MUST have the seller’s name, address and a contact telephone number attached to each garment. Any garments that do not have these particulars attached will be presumed to be donations.
- To assist sellers, the Office has a supply of shipping tags to be used for the purpose of attaching particulars to garments.
- Sellers will now be paid by cheque by post. Please present cheques promptly.
- Every effort will be made to publish a list of stock on hand in the newsletter preceding each of the sale dates listed above.
- A current Price List is below.

Michael Greenway (Mble) 0401 800 811

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