



Newsletter Issue 7, 26th May 2017



Celebrating IDAHOT Day



CALENDAR

MAY

Tuesday 30th
10am - 12pm VET Taster -
Retail Cosmetics

Wednesday 31st
10am - 12pm VET Taster -
Hairdressing

JUNE

Sunday 4th - Music Working
Bee 9am - 12pm

Wednesday 7th
5pm Prep - 6 Parent Meeting
6.15pm College Council

9th, 13th, 14th & 15th
Year 10 Exams

9th, 13th
Year 11 Exams &
Year 12 Practice Exams

Wednesday 14th
GAT 10am - 1.15pm

Thursday 15th
Year 11 Exams &
Year 12 Practice Exams

Friday 16th
PUPIL FREE -
CORRECTION DAY

Monday 19th - Friday 30th
Year 10 Work Experience

Wednesday 28th
Student Reports available on
COMPASS

Friday 30th
2.20pm Finish -
End of Term 2

JULY

MONDAY 17th
PUPIL FREE

TUESDAY 18th
SCHOOL RESUMES FOR
TERM 3

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calling 9457-0207
or emailing
absence@macleod.vic.edu.au

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Principal's Report

Postal Delivery

A reminder to everyone that the Australia Post official mailing address for Macleod College is **PO Box 805, Macleod 3085**. If you address it to Carwarp Street, it is likely we will not receive it.



Prep - Year 6 Parent Meeting

I am aware that a number of parents would like additional information regarding the Prep to Year 6 sub school along with the management of students with challenging behaviors and as such have organized a meeting at the following time and date:

Date: Wednesday 7 June

Time: 5pm – 6pm

Venue: IMPACT Theatre

Information regarding this meeting has been mailed home to all Prep - Year 6 families.

Contacting Staff Members

Teachers, in addition to their teaching commitments, have meetings after school. If you need to speak to a staff member either contact the general office or email the staff member direct to arrange a suitable time.

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Mario Panaccio
Principal

Healesville Sanctuary

Year 11 Biology and IELC students visited Healesville Sanctuary this week to explore the survival adaptations of Australian animals. We were lucky to see the endangered Yellow Helmeted Honey Eater up close and the more common Tawny Frogmouth 'Twiggy'.

"A riveting experience" reports Gabi H.



Belinda Moody - Biology

Year 10 German

It was the inaugural gingerbread house decorating activity in the Year 10 German classroom this term, with students bringing in their own home-made gingerbread, ready for construction work to take place.

Students experimented with a range of recipes and designs for their houses, creating some unique interpretations on the traditional gingerbread house styles.

Once the houses were constructed, they were decorated with a range of lollies and chocolates, in preparation for a visit from Mr. Panaccio, before being demolished and consumed. Congratulations to all Year 10 students who participated.



Frances Holl - German Teacher

Free Breakfast Club - Provided by Wellbeing



**FOR ALL STUDENTS
(PREP TO YEAR 12)**

**EVERY THURSDAY 8am to
8.45am in G BLOCK.**

Parents & Friends of Macleod (PaFM)

*Parents & Friends would like to
welcome all new & old members*

WHATS COMING UP IN TERM 2:

TERM 2 ACTIVITY – IN SCHOOL DISCO

Wednesday 28th June

– Details will be available closer to the date.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEEDS YOU!

If you are able to be a part of the Parents & Friends Committee please do come along to our next meeting (*details below*). While we have a great bunch of committed parents and friends we really would love some more fresh faces on the committee to help fulfil all we hope to.

Parents & Friends Committee want to know if you would come to the meetings and be involved if we also held evening meetings as we know not everyone can make daytime meetings? Please contact us via our contact details below to give us your feedback on this.

CONTACT US:

Please add us on Facebook search for:

Macleod College Parents and Friends

Email us: parentsandfriends@macleod.vic.edu.au

NEXT MEETING MONDAY 5th June – at 9.30am (after primary school assembly in the staff room behind Mrs Butterworth's office in primary school building)

**PARENTS & FRIENDS FROM
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY
ARE ALL WELCOME**

Community

Start a new career

**Certificate III in Education Support - June 2017
(Whittlesea) -CHC30213**

This qualification will give you the skills and knowledge to provide assistance and support to teachers and students in a range of educational settings. This includes early childhood education, as well as Primary, Secondary and Special schools.

Graduates work as education assistants/teacher aides and support workers (working with children with disabilities)

Location: Whittlesea TBC

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 10.00am —3.00pm

Dates: Tues 13th June to 19th Dec. (Classroom 2017)

6th Feb. to 27th Mar. (Classroom 2018)

[Includes 2 Assessment Workshops]

16/8/17—9/3/2018 (Practical Placement)

Duration: 24 sessions, 2 workshops + 100 hour practical placement. (Excludes: Public & School Holidays.)

Cost: Concession: \$180 Full: \$900 Fee For Service: \$2,685 (Concession- Limited Places) + Service & Amenities Fee

**For more details please ring PRACE on 9462 6077
or visit our website: www.prace.vic.edu.au**

Drama Club

**It's a bird, it's a plane,
It's on the floor!**

Year 7's are you intrigued, puzzled, curious?

If you wish to hear more fun lines like this or indeed invent your very own, come along **Thursday lunch times to the Impact Theatre for Drama Club.**

You can spend your lunch times space jumping, making statements such as "Anybody who ate coco pops for breakfast." and learning about blocking, stage presence and performing scenes without questions.

Run by the multi talented Mrs. Dolly and the all singing and all dancing (whether you request it or not) Mr. Zammit, it is sure to be a fun way to spend a lunch time and meet and make new friends in your very own year level.

In the words of the famous bard J (Who is ???) You can learn the answer to that in Drama Club as well.

All the world's a stage,

And all the men and women merely players;

They have their exits and their entrances;

And one man in his time plays many parts.

Diane Dolly

Year 9 Patisserie

Congratulations to all the patisserie students who made sponges for the 'Jan Emery' Sponge Competition.

All students excelled themselves and we congratulate the following students on their awards:-

'Best in Class' Samantha Cullen

'People's Choice' Melina Marhendrini



The staff enjoyed tasting all these wonderful sponges.

Keren Fazio - Food Technology

Second-Hand Uniform Shop

On Tuesday I took the remaining bags of old style second-hand uniform to a collection point in Keysborough for the Mission Liaison Group of the Uniting Church. They were delighted to receive them! They will be put in a container, along with a whole lot of other donations of clothes, books, medical equipment, etc. from all sorts of groups, and will be sent to the Pacific Islands (most likely Tonga or the Solomons) and distributed to those in need. Thank you to all those who brought in their old uniforms to pass on.

We currently have lots of **blazers** in stock, in all sizes, including extra-large. At half the new price, they are a bargain!

And we are very pleased to have Sara Fletcher as a new volunteer – thanks Sara for giving up your time! More helpers are always welcome.

Cathie Clarke - 0411 883 904

IELC Excursion to Sovereign Hill

On Friday, 12th May the IELC class visited Sovereign Hill with their teacher Ms Ketty Karalis and the international students coordinator Ms Colleen Cochrane. We had an amazing day panning for gold and learning about the history of Victoria. In the evening the class watched a fabulous light show called 'Blood on the Southern Cross'. It was a wonderful and memorable way to learn about the birth of democracy in Victoria.



Year 11 Biology and IELC Excursion to Healesville Sanctuary

Ms Moody's year 11 Biology class took their learning to the 'great outdoors'. The class undertook their Biology outcome by observing the habitats of animals at the Healesville Sanctuary. Our lab technician Ms Darvorka Tucman also attended and was able to further assist students with their enquiries.

The Intensive English Language Class and their teacher Ms Karalis also attended this excursion. Students had an amazing time observing Australia's unique wild life. Students were especially excited with 'Tales from platypus creek' and the Spirit of the sky' presentations.



Careers

FOCUS ON SPORTS CAREERS

Sports Physiotherapists: are qualified physiotherapists who have undertaken further specialised training and education. They assess and diagnose sports related injuries and develop a treatment plan, which may include hands-on therapies and exercise plans.

Where can I study undergraduate physiotherapy in Victoria?

- **Monash University**, Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours), <http://bit.ly/1UbqXPB>
- **La Trobe University**, Bachelor of Applied Science/Master of Physiotherapy Practice, <http://bit.ly/1KYy9XY>
- **Charles Sturt University**, Bachelor of Physiotherapy, <http://bit.ly/1MNIxVs>
- **Australian Catholic University**, Bachelor of Physiotherapy, <http://bit.ly/23UACtx>

If you are concerned you won't achieve the ATAR to gain entry into an undergraduate program, you can study graduate entry physiotherapy in Victoria at:

- **University of Melbourne**, Doctor of Physiotherapy, 3-year program.
- **La Trobe University**, Master of Physiotherapy Practice, Melbourne and Bendigo, 2-year program.

You will need to complete an undergraduate degree in an area such as exercise science, biomedical science or general science. You should pick a degree that will have subjects in human anatomy and physiology.

There are two ways to become a fully qualified sports physiotherapist- via an academic pathway or an experiential pathway. For information, go to www.physiotherapy.asn.au/

Clinical Exercise Physiologists: develop exercise plans and services for people living with or being at risk of illnesses such as cancer, mental illness, cardiovascular disease, neuromuscular/ neurological disease, respiratory disease, chronic pain and musculoskeletal pain.

From Exercise and Sports Science Australia (ESSA): Exercise Physiologists are the most qualified health professional to prescribe exercise for people with chronic disease.

Video about clinical exercise physiology developed by Deakin University- <http://bit.ly/1TvZuWz>

How do I become qualified in Victoria?

- You must first complete an ESSA approved undergraduate degree.
- You must then complete an ESSA approved Graduate Diploma or Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology, meet all of the required knowledge and skills criteria and have completed the required 500 hours of approved practicum, as outlined by ESSA.

For a list of approved courses and courses pending accreditation, go to <http://bit.ly/2qfCvaU>

Sport Management: is for students who have an interest in both sport and business (including management, marketing, elite athlete management, events, facilities management, tourism, accounting etc.). Different institutions offer different majors or specialisations, so make sure you do your research.

Sports Engineers: design and develop sports equipment and apparel; design products and develop solutions to enhance the performance of athletes; and are at the forefront of designing new sports technologies for elite athletes. Students typically study human movement sciences, and electronic, mechanical and software engineering.

Sport and Recreation Management: students can typically specialise in areas such as outdoor recreation, recreation management, tourism, facilities management, policy development and events management.

Sports Development: students learn how to promote sport in the community and increase the level of participation in sports for different cohorts such as young people and people with disabilities. Sports development officers create new and innovative sports programs or work for existing organisations to run their programs in the community (i.e., AusKick)

Sports Journalists: undertake research on sporting events and issues and report on them via various media mediums (e.g., print, broadcast, radio). Students generally have to complete a journalism degree with a sports specialisation within the degree or as a graduate program.

Other sports careers include Sports Psychology, Exercise Rehabilitation, Sports Coaching, Physical Education Teaching, Fitness and Personal Training, Sports Science etc.

To search for sports related courses and university prerequisites, search the Good Universities Guide course finder at- <http://bit.ly/1N6a3Pk>

Or the Victorian Tertiary Admission Centre (VTAC) archived search at www.vtac.edu.au/

FOCUS ON GLOBAL COURSES

Are you eager to learn about other countries and cultures? If you want to undertake a university degree with a truly global focus, the following courses may suit you:

- **Bachelor of Global Studies, Australian Catholic University:** you will undertake a semester of studies overseas in the third year of your degree, and combine the degree with either Arts, Business Administration, Theology, Law, or Applied Public Health, <http://bit.ly/1WAUKLE>
- **Bachelor of Global Studies, Monash University:** you will spend between one to three semesters on overseas exchange at an international Monash campus or partner university. You can combine the degree with Commerce, Law or Science or complete it as a single degree, <http://bit.ly/1ZVprQs>
- **Bachelor of Asia Pacific Studies (Year in Asia), Australia National University:** you will undertake a major or minor in one of 13 Asia-Pacific languages and undertake a year of studies overseas at an Asia-Pacific partner university, <http://tinyurl.com/ljnvf3u>
- **Bachelor of European Studies, Australia National University:** you will undertake a major or minor in one of 6 European languages and undertake a semester of studies overseas at a European partner university, <http://tinyurl.com/ltnhkfh>
- **Bachelor of International Studies, Deakin University:** you can undertake a professional internship with an international organization overseas or in Australia, study an in country language program, and/or complete a global student exchange, <http://bit.ly/2qiXFEV>
- **Bachelor of International Business, RMIT:** you can undertake 2 – 3 week study tours to Europe, North America or Asia, undertake part of your degree at RMIT's Vietnam campus, complete a language major, and/or undertake a semester of exchange at an overseas partner university, <http://tinyurl.com/lxxpfhw>

VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Pixel Prize photography competition: This competition is run by Australian Catholic University and aims to encourage the use of photography as a tool to communicate valuable messages to society. The theme for this year's competition is 'Empathy'.

Entries will open on 3 July and close on 15 September, with prizes to be awarded across four categories at the exhibition's opening in Melbourne on 16 November 2017. For information, go to <http://bit.ly/2pOcaWH>

Are you applying for an art or design course at Monash University? From 2018 entry requirements for the following courses have changed:

- Bachelor of Visual Arts
- Bachelor of Art History and Curating
- Bachelor of Communication Design
- Bachelor of Industrial Design
- Bachelor of Architectural Design
- Bachelor of Interior Architecture

Students will no longer have to prepare a folio, complete a pre-selection activity, or participate in an interview. Admission will be based on ATAR only. Please call MADA Student Services with any questions 03 9903 1517 or email mada@monash.edu.au

Law Admission Test (LAT) now open for UNSW: If you are considering studying a law program at UNSW you will need to sit the LAT. You will first need to register for the LAT by Friday 11 August via the ACER website then sit the test on Tuesday 26 September. For information on the process and law courses at UNSW, go to <http://bit.ly/2qmr2V9>

Robertson Scholars Leadership Program: Each year, talented Australian students are selected to complete an undergraduate degree at either Duke University or the University of Northern Carolina, both in the USA. The program seeks to assist students who have demonstrated passion and potential to become great leaders in college and beyond. The scholarship is worth \$200 000 and is organised through UNSW. For more information and to apply, go to <http://bit.ly/2qjpc95>

Have you considered teaching mathematics at secondary school? Mathematics has been identified as a key teaching area in high demand, offering strong employment opportunities and career prospects for graduates. Two ways you can become a mathematics teacher is as follows:

1. Complete an undergraduate teaching or a combined teaching degree with a maths discipline major. This pathway generally takes 4 years to complete. The following are three examples of undergraduate courses you can study in Victoria:

- **Australian Catholic University:** Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Arts (Mathematics), Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2qiq1iG>
- **Federation University:** Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences/Bachelor of Education, Ballarat, <http://bit.ly/2rhsacP>
- **Deakin University:** Bachelor of Teaching (Science)/Bachelor of Science, Melbourne campus, <http://bit.ly/2ql3DRc>

2. Complete a Bachelor degree with a major in mathematics and an approved Master of Secondary Teaching. This pathway generally takes 4 – 5 years to complete. The following are three examples of courses in Victoria:

- **RMIT:** Bachelor of Science (Mathematics), <http://bit.ly/2qiUqNC> > approved Master of Secondary Teaching
- **University of Melbourne:** Bachelor of Science (Mathematics and Statistics major), <http://bit.ly/1PLXJyP> > approved Master of Secondary Teaching
- **La Trobe University:** Bachelor of Science (Mathematics major), Melbourne campus, <http://bit.ly/1TzcVWZ> > approved Master of Secondary Teaching.

To search for all courses, use the Good Universities Guide course search function at <http://bit.ly/2klbTQa>

UPCOMING EVENTS

RMIT Experience Days: These events provide a fantastic opportunity for you to experience life as a RMIT student for a day and to explore the courses you are interested in. Dates for July are listed below.

Business	3	Health & Biomedical Sciences	5
Science	4	Design	5
Engineering	5	Marketing, Public Relations, Advertising	6

To book your place, go to <http://bit.ly/2qRca05>

Australian Catholic University Experience Days: University Experience is a hands-on event where you will participate in a range of activities related to the course area of your choice. A large range of workshops will be available and a parent session will also be running. The following are dates the events will be running:

- Melbourne campus, Tuesday 4 July
- Ballarat campus, Tuesday 11 July

Registrations will open on Monday 22 May at the following link, <http://bit.ly/2pb23CK>

DeakinInspire Day: Deakin University is running full day events at the Melbourne and Geelong campuses designed for Year 10 – 12 students to learn more about Deakin courses and programs. At the event, you will:

- Hear innovative, entrepreneurial and creative stories from Deakin students, alumni and teachers.
- Choose to attend two workshops from a multitude of energising workshops.
- Learn how to stand out from the crowd and get ready for the jobs of tomorrow.

Dates are as follows:

- Melbourne Burwood campus, Tuesday 4 July
- Geelong Waurin Ponds, Thursday 6 July

For information on the venues, speakers, workshops and to register your place, go to <http://bit.ly/2r0rbh5>

MAY

26 – 31: Focus on Melbourne University: Science (30), Commerce (31), <http://bit.ly/2pWxQIT>

27: Health Sessions, Deakin University – Geelong Waurin Ponds (27).

27: Take Control, IT event, Monash University, Clayton campus, <http://bit.ly/2pSTSxH>

JUNE

5 - 14: Inside Monash Seminars: Medicine & Biomedical Science (5), Business (14), <http://bit.ly/1Scshkl>

MUSIC ACADEMY NEWS

MACLEOD COLLEGE/ISSUE 2, MAY 2017



From the Music Director

Welcome to the Music Academy Newsletter for Term 2 and haven't we got a lot to fill it with! Performance seasons at Macleod are broken into 2 main areas, extending through term 1-2 then term 3-4. They are busy times indeed and we are just coming to the end of the first of these. As I write, students are preparing for the string soirée. Others have just completed a tour to Mt Gambier and the primary Orchestra have been on their own fantastic adventure. The extensive partnerships that we have with our community were on full display as the Chamber Strings worked with the state government, Metro assisted us to run 'Rockin the Rails' and we staged our Jazz night with Rosanna Rotary Club. Article of all these activities and more are contained in the newsletter.

So, now we take a collective breath and focus on preparing for the next exciting activities. A new Jazz ensemble featuring our year 5-9 students has begun, music camp notices will soon be out and our combined primary orchestra begins to plan their next adventure. We hope you can all join us on the next exciting stage of 2017!

Jason Ziino
Music Director





COMBINED PRIMARY ORCHESTRA AT BOROONDARA EISTEDDFOD

Macleod/Watsonia North Primary Orchestra had a wonderful time performing in the Boroondara Eisteddfod Festival at the Hawthorn Arts Centre on Wednesday 3rd of May. Our primary orchestra along with 7 other ensembles participated in the Junior Large Ensemble section of the festival.

Macleod/Watsonia North Primary Orchestra performed 2 pieces- Ghost in the Living Room and In the Hall of the Mountain King. It was great to have the opportunity to see and hear other ensembles. We were impressed by the overall high standard of the performances presented by other schools.

It was lovely to see our students feeling proud of themselves at the end of the event. Both Macleod Primary and Watsonia North Primary students were thrilled when the judicator announced that we had been awarded an Honourable Mention!

A big thanks to our Primary Orchestra students, teachers and parents for their commitment to making this event possible.

Tianyu Lan Xu

Director of Primary Orchestra

UPCOMING EVENTS

Music Camp deposits due

Thursday June 22

\$50 payable to school office.

Music Camp final payments

Thursday July 27

**Music Camp
Tuesday August 8 to
Friday August 11**
Ferngully Lodge,
Healesville

**Victorian Schools
Music Festival
August 24**

Junior Jazz ensemble
Austr

**Essentially Ellington
Festival
Saturday August 19**
Australian Institute of
Music TBC.

**Parliament House
Monday August 21**
String Orchestra at
Lions 100 year
celebration

**Royal South Street
Eisteddfod
September 6-8**
Junior and Senior
Jazz ensemble. TBC

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COUNT BASIE JAZZ NIGHT A HIT!



For the first time, the annual Macleod Jazz night ventured beyond the confines of the College and took our fantastic playing into the community. As part of our partnership with Rosanna Rotary Club, this years event was staged at the Austrian Club in West Heidelberg. It proved to be a great venue for this type of concert, with a large and enthusiastic audience enjoying the range of ensembles and soloists on display. The Swinging Grasshoppers kicked off the nights entertainment with a grooving set followed by our VCE soloists Jonathan Yeung and Dana D'Angelo. The surprise performance by a staff band playing the Basie hit 'One 'o' Clock Jump' was certainly one of the hits of the night. Following this were the performances from our ensembles who were heading to



Generations in Jazz, the Vocal Ensemble and the Jazz Orchestra. Both gave really good performances with the Jazz Orchestra presenting an extended set of Count Basie works. Another great night enjoyed by all and one that we can't wait to do again!



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ROCKING THE RAILS

Rockin' the Rails has become a Macleod Music tradition and a very strong partnership between us and Metro Trains. Once again this year it proved to be a great opportunity for the Jazz Orchestra and Vocal Ensemble to prepare for the tour to Generations in Jazz as they performed their pieces from memory 8 times throughout the

day. Beginning in Macleod Park, both groups stopped at stations along the Hurstbridge line performing their sets. This culminated in performances both at Flinders Street Station and the main stage at Federation Square. The groups received glowing feedback everywhere they went and improved as the day went on.



ANZAC DAY AT MACLEOD

Macleod College is steeped in history and one of the most poignant traditions that we observe is the ANZAC day service. The music program plays an integral role in this, performing pieces that make up the rituals of the day.

The Symphony Orchestra performed the hymns and national anthems of both Australia and New Zealand, whilst Trumpeter Ned Zarucky performed the last post and reveille. A great job by all involved.



GENERATIONS IN JAZZ 2017

by Rhea Singh, member of Jazz Orchestra and Vocal Ensemble

On the 5th of May, Macleod College's Jazz Orchestra and Vocal Ensemble headed to South Australia for the Generations in Jazz competition in Mt Gambier. With it being my first time ever competing in something like this, I had no idea what to expect and was both nervous and excited.

GENERATIONS IN JAZZ 2017 cont'd

We arrived in the evening, and headed to the venue. The weather was freezing, but somehow we all managed to survive. For the rest of the night, we watched jazz musicians perform from across the world with nearly 4,500 other students also attending. With people from all the states, even Tasmania, it was easy to feel quite overwhelmed or out of place.

However once the music began, there was a whole different atmosphere present, and once I realised that i was in a room full of people who connected and love music in a similar way to me, the night became much more enjoyable.

On Saturday, the day of the competition, the suspense was building up as each minute passed. The vocal ensemble was the first to perform with the pieces All of Me and My Boat. A few hours later, the Jazz Orchestra performed with pieces Big Duke, Midnite Blue and Sleepwalkers Serenade. Playing in front of people seemed like a very nerve-racking thing to do, because you imagine one mistake can ruin the entire experience for everyone.

However, everyone on the stage gave it their all and put passion into their performances. At the end of the set, it felt like a success either way, because we'd be able to look back on it, and feel proud of how we played and the vibe we gave out on stage. After all, a performance isn't a performance if you're not enjoying it.

The next day, we watched more performances and found out the winners from each division. Unfortunately our school (part of Division 3.1), didn't place in the top 3*. Although it was a little disappointing, the whole point of music is to get up on stage, and make people feel something about your music. Achieving that at Mount Gambier is what made the whole trip feel like a win regardless. So with our heads still held high, we left the venue, and headed back to Melbourne.

We arrived back home at approximately 10pm, and I was surprised at how much I already missed it. Mt Gambier allowed me to share my passion for music and get to know some amazing people that added humour and happiness to the trip. It was a surreal event that I hope to experience again!

*** editors note**

Whilst the band didn't finish in the top 3, it was their first year back in division 3. They were ranked in the middle of the section of 24 bands which shows they are continuing to improve. Well done to all.



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MAY DAY AWARDS DINNER PERFORMANCE

The Chamber Strings recently performed for the prestigious May Day Awards Evening, presented by Speaker of the Legislative Assembly for Victoria Parliament, Colin Brooks and former premier of Victoria, Steve Bracks. The Chamber strings created an air of formality with their performance while guests arrived. The students received a taste of what it is like to prepare and perform for such an occasion, ensuring they rehearsed at least twice a week together in the lead up to the event. Due to the high standard of performance Macleod's Chamber Strings have been further invited to perform for the Lions Club celebration of 100 years of service at Parliament House in Term 3, where 200 Lions members and state parliamentarians will attend. Well done to all involved.



Annette Eldridge

STRING SOIREE

The annual Macleod College string soirée was held on Wednesday May 17 in the performing arts centre. Featuring students from prep to year 12 it was a fantastic showcase of the string and vocal areas of the Music Academy. There were performances by the Chamber strings, primary orchestra, junior strings and vocal soloists. The string jazz group and folk groups made their public debuts and the audience were

taken through the musical ages by a rocking double bass trio! One of the highlights of the night was undoubtedly VCE student Daniel Yao performing Beethoven. His performance was stunning and left the audience in raptures. The music academy at Macleod is a many varied program and this night highlighted what wonderful talent we have in so many different areas. It was a great job by the wonderful staff to work with the student to put on this event.

