

BY JANE CARRODUS

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Principal's Report '95

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In my short time at Parkwood Secondary College I have gained a great affection for the College. Clearly there is a strong learning culture and a focus on success. The college has a good 'tone' about it. This is attributable to the fine students who work hard to learn here. Whilst there are some mixed feelings in the community about state education, the Parkwood Secondary College community can be proud of the fact that students here are working to achieve success and come out as productive citizens.

Change is the constant in education in these times. The year of 1995 has been no exception to this. We are now a truly self managing college working within broad state wide guidelines. A great deal of work has gone on during the year to ensure that a rich and diverse curriculum is offered to students at all year levels. I have been most impressed by the calibre of our Year 7 students and the program they work in, impressed by the highly innovative Middle School program and by the broad VCE curriculum.

Once again in 1995 our students have excelled in a number of academic and sporting areas. Things that come to mind are the excellent performances of our debaters and public speakers, our achievements in a wide range of sports such as athletics, swimming, cross country, hockey, basketball, netball. Once again the college has supplied representatives to state and national teams (in basketball). We have been very pleased to have two concerts/performances during the year and hope to build on in the future. The college has been represented in some major community activities during the year such as the Victory in Pacific ceremony and through programs such as the community service program and work experience program. We have been innovative

in terms of getting some TAFE links in place and have built a sound foundation for giving students opportunities to undertake work placements.

I want to commend the performances on the VCE class of 1995. Their approach to work and their results bring great credit to them. I am sure that they will be successful in whatever pursuits they undertake in the future. They are to be formally honored at the Awards Night. The whole college community wishes you success.

Parkwood is well placed for a successful future. The college rests on a firm foundation of excellent students, dedicated and committed staff and a good resource base of equipment such as computers. As a college community we will only be limited by our imaginations. We must ensure that we lead the elephant across the shaky wooden bridge, not follow the elephant!

Martin Culkin Principal



Parkwood

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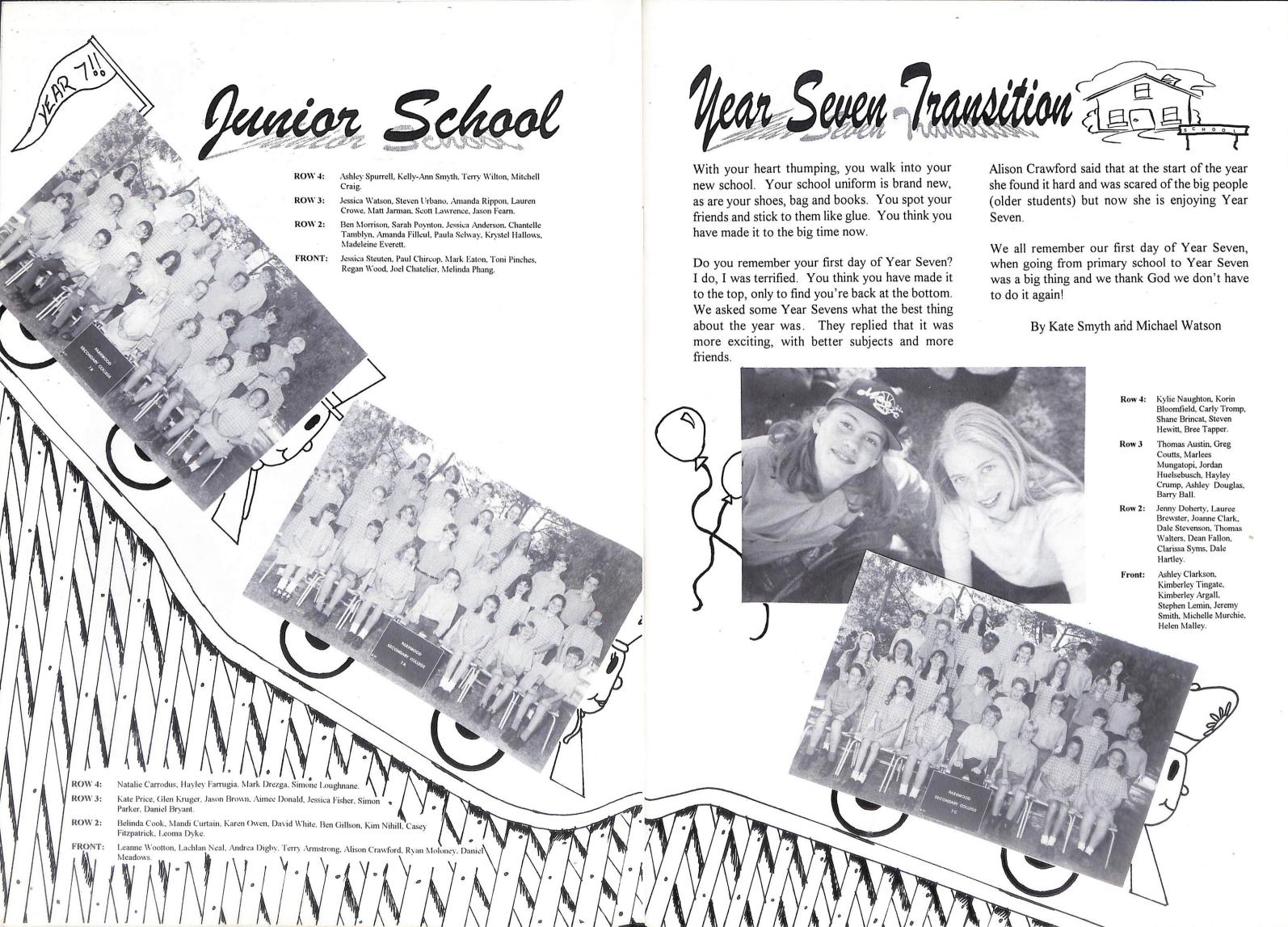
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Australia Remembers IIII

A group of lucky students from 7A went to participate in the Victory in the Pacific celebrations. They went to Swanston St in the city. They said it was good, exciting and everyone was happy. The best part of the day for Karen Owen was running up to Jeff Kenett and giving him a streamer. The worst part of the day was walking, stopping and walking again as well as crowds. The students said they enjoyed it and learnt something from the day. They were on T.V. and people threw confetti from buildings. After the ceremony they went to the shrine and looked at the crosses. Mr Moxey also said it was a good day out.

VP day on August 15, 1995, celebrated 50 years since the end of the war against Japan. There were 28 students, all from 7A, and Mr Culkin, Mrs Morrison and Mr Moxey marching from the Shrine along St. Kilda Rd and Swanston St. There were over 100,000 people present, ticker-tape, cheering and bands playing. Approximately 200 schools went. The best part was marching along with thousands of spectators waving and cheering. There was terrific atmosphere for all concerned and they also saw the unveiling of the statue for sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop - an excellent monument to a truly great Australian.

By Angela Baron.







The Year

At the start of the year, the Year Seven students and some game teachers took off to Shoreham, for a little fun and to get to know each other. The mission must have been successful because when we spoke to the Year Seven students, we got a raving review.

It started off with a two hour bus trip up there. They were all very anxious to hit the beach and they sure did that! In the 2 nights that they staved there, they went swimming, took walks, played and had a sand castle competition on the beach. And boy did they love it!

In the morning, they were attacked and woken up by Mr. Byrne wetting them with his Super-Soaker and at night they partied on with a disco (from all reports it was cool!!!).

The food got a big thumbs up, especially on the last night when they all got dressed up and were matched with a boy or girl (how cute!). But the boys didn't seem to like it. They also had a P.J. party and brought their teddy bears with them.

Kate Price, of 7A, said that she had fun on the ropes course and enjoyed playing volleyball on the beach.

All in all, the Year Seven students and the teachers had a great time and they said that they made many new friends.

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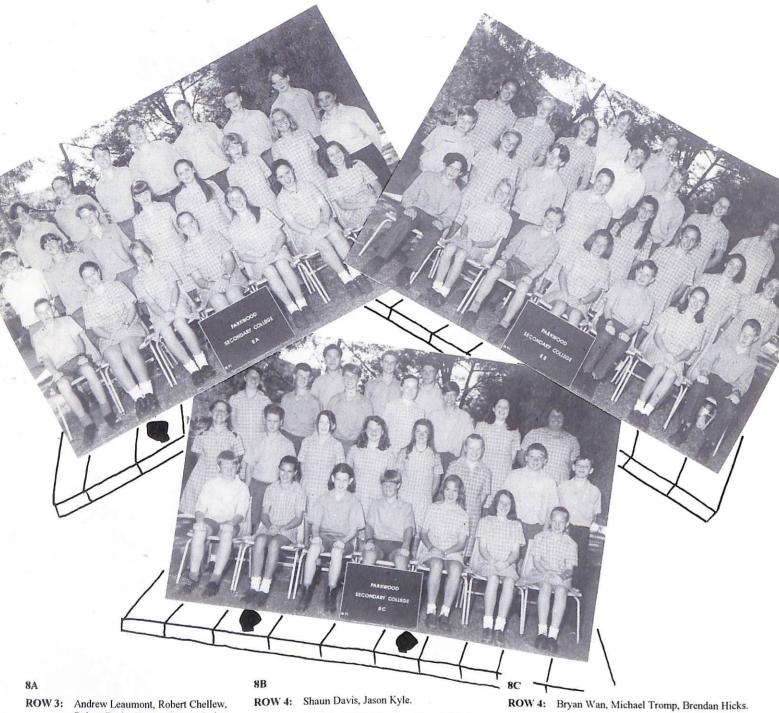
Mrs. Fell

Mr. Byrne and Denise for a really great time.

By Michael Watson and Kate Smyth.



Middle School



Robert Beale, Harvey Brown, Luke Stevens, Trever Santilli, James Mason.

ROW 2: Brett Buckland, Nathan Relf, Wayne Hewitt, Evelyn Hannah, ErinTute. Jaime Cook, Rachael Griffith, Megan

FRONT: Aaron Thomas, Tessa Andonopoulos, Tamara Weinrowski, Kiera Valvo, Kate Roberts, Laura Mastronardi, Emily-Jo Kirby.

ROW 3: Lisa Tan, Kelly Morrison, Taya Misiurka, Brendan Bennetts, Joel Strachan, Emma Mansfield, Elizabeth Young.

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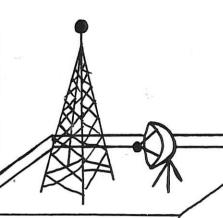
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ROW 2: Shauna Scammell, Trevor Jennings, Laura Fisher, Jessica Klinge, Kate Symons, Melissa Kennedy, Cody Sharp, Shayne Barnard.

David Ladson, Anna Steuten, Brooke Clark, Melissa Dolphin.





ROW 3: Jaclyn Gow, Matt Anderson, Lucas Spargo, Hugh Torresan, Luke Siwek, Even Stait, Sam Bremner, Matthew Weinrowski,

ROW 2: Ammier Sarhan, Trudi Williams, Kate Walters, Diana Jamison, Kathryn Murchie. Nicole Bell, Anthony Hickling, Glen Nelson, Troy Lemke.

FRONT: Megan Phillips, Kate Gilson, Mark Nadz, Tim Myles, Ryan Standish, Kate Burgo, Stuart Dunk.

ROW 2: Jimmy Wilson, Richard Tschiersch, Nathan Fearn, Tyrone Howard, Ryan Pember, Dylan Morgan, Triston Cook.

FRONT: Gerald De Piazza, Dallas Roberts, Wayne Lister, Shayne Laird, Stuart Hassan, Justin White, Geoffrey Smith.

ROW 3: Dominic Barbuto. Phillip Lawrence, Toby Ronaldson, Ben Walsham, Luke Pingnam.

ROW 2: Blair Crump, Tracey Owen, David Malley, Susie Cant, Sally McGuinness, Sara Condie, Megan Russell, Sarah Donald.

FRONT: Anthony Bird, Bianca Valleri. Kathryn Savage, Justine Mizzi, Katrina Jones, Rebecca Hill, Nathan Misiurka.

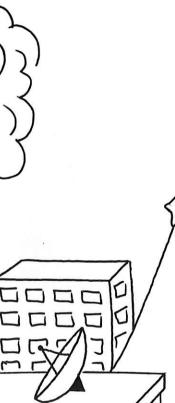


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ROW 3: Paul Mavin, Daniel Young, Brendan Filleul, Andrew Boyce, Aaron Gullan, Todd Murtagh, Wightman Savage, Becky

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ROW 3: Tim Parker, Andrew Stait, Michael Fitzgerald, Justin Plant, Rene Buwalda, Lauren Stevenson, Troy Elliott.

ROW 2: Matthew Kyle, Alisa Christensen, Peter Malley, Jamie McDonnell, Ryan Lea, Belinda Luscombe, Ryan Coutts, Philippa Cook.

FRONT: Michael Gay, Jayde Wood, David Giannopoulos, Lisa Haddow, Cassie Scammell, David Goodrem, Louisa Clarkson.

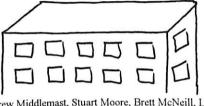




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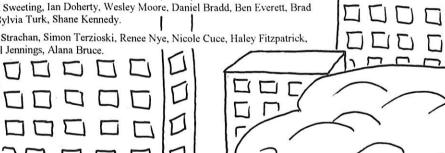


10D

ROW 3: Andrew Middlemast, Stuart Moore, Brett McNeill, Lucas Craig, Matthew Leplaa, Bradley Bourke, Shaun Ramsey.

ROW 2: David Sweeting, Ian Doherty, Wesley Moore, Daniel Bradd, Ben Everett, Brad Fox, Sylvia Turk, Shane Kennedy.

FRONT: Carly Strachan, Simon Terzioski, Renee Nye, Nicole Cuce, Haley Fitzpatrick, Daniel Jennings, Alana Bruce.











STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

The SCIP program. What is it and who runs it? The SCIP Program stands for Student Community Involvement Program. SCIP is sponserd by the Red Cross Society. Students work as volunteers in an area of their choice such as Primary Schools, Kindergartens and Child Care Centres.

Students are prepared to give up some of their own time to help others and to broaden their own experiences. The program is offered for Year 9 and 10 students who are interested in doing volunteer work. They work for two periods per week for a ten week cycle.

They must enjoy the work because the feed back is very positive. Megan Phillips, Kate Gillson and Jaclyn Gow are involved in SCIP. They like the SCIP program and they think it's a good idea because they enjoy working with children. The thing they like most is helping out, feeling like the boss and also missing out on classes. What they don't like about it is having to catch up on work. They think that other schools should also be involved as SCIP is a valuable program. Megan Phillips went to help at the Wonga Park Primary School. She would also like to help out at a Kindergarten. These students have enjoyed the program so much that they would do it again.





Work Experience

Earlier this year, from the 24th of April to the 5th of May, the Year 10 students set out on Work Experience.

Work Experience is where Year 10 students go out into the workforce for two weeks. In these two weeks, the students gain in the type of work they choose. There are a wide range occupations available for work experience. The only place you can't go is on ships or in a butcher shop or down in a mine. So if you are a Year 9 student wondering what you could do for the two weeks, the possibilities are almost endless.

Remember, if you wish to go to the Zoo or a television station, you need to apply at least 6 months in advance. I know this for I tried to gain a weeks work experience at Channel 9, but I was refused it because I rang only a month before. I didn't go to Channel 9 but one of my friends did. Lucas Craig of 10D thoroughly enjoyed himself there. He was able to work on The Footy Show and meet Eddie McGuire and



Trevor Marmalade.

Some of the other places that were attended for work experience included:

- Triple R Radio Station
- Melbourne Zoo
- Fashion Designer
- Concert Lighting Company

One of the other benefits of work experience is that you sometimes gain a part time job. After completing work experience at Kmart in Eastland, Alisa Christensen of 10B received a part time job as a shop assistant. Wherever the students went for work experience I'm sure they at least learnt something about their future career options.

by David Goodram





Battle of The Debating Teams

This year the year 10's had a debating competition. 10B against 10D, and 10C agains 10A, with the winners out of the two going into the finals.

Battle 1: 10B vs 10D

Topic: Should homosexuals have equal rights in society?

rights in society:

On the affirmative team, was Tim, Justin and Belinda.

On the negative team was Alana, Carly and Andrew.

Both teams fought well, throwing funny remarks at each other, with one team slinging more than the other. You may want to see those photos of Andrew that Tim had! In the end, the affirmative team won, but only by a few points.

Battle 2: 10C vs 10A

Topic: Is Australia still the licky country?

On the affirmative team was Daniel, Kate and Renee.

On the negative team was Andrew, Becky and Kylie.

Both teams came up with strong arguments this time, and nobody was abusing the opposition. Each person had an interesting opening, but in the end it came down to the team with the most points, which was 10C, again only winning by a few points.

Battle 3: The final (10C vs 10B)

Topic: The business of making babies has got out of hand.

On the affirmative team was Daniel, Kate and Renee.

On the negative team was Tim, Justin and Belinda.

Both teams began really well, and they seemed like professionals. It was a close competition, and Mr. Culkin praised both teams, but in the end the negative team were the victors, but only by 4 points (out of 300).

To all those that competed, well done!

By Katie & Tamara.



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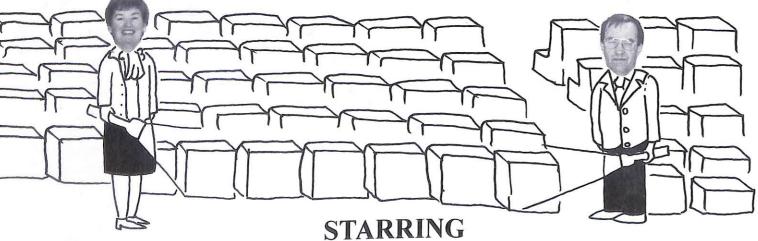
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- ROW 4: Damian White, Adam Valeri, Tavis Cook, Paul Eldridge, Nadia Seidel, Adam Ghent, Lachlan Stevens, Aaron Stevenson, David Gow, Todd Ronaldson, Francesca Cant, Candice Cook, Erika Seidel, David Thomson, Peta Waters.
- ROW 3: James Moore, Christopher Nealon, Harry Andonopoulos, Misty Bott, Nicole Ruduss, Peita Tapper, Jonathon Flores, Sarah Langenhorst, Michelle Lawrence, Marc McKenzie, Warren Tute, Leigh Francome, Christian Heskett, James Gibbons, Marco Salamone.

STARRING

- ROW 2: Renee Calvett, Olivia Robotham, Britt Ricardo, David Bangay, Katrina Smith, Justin Bird, Misty Bryant, Michelle Waters, Elisa Freitas, Tracey Walker, Lyndal Selman.
- FRONT: Nicholas Fryer, Hannah Lemin, Leah Phillips, Kelly Penches, Rebecca Elliott, Simone Kuppler, Allison Hallpike, Katie Relf, Belinda Ciurleo, Rie Obokata, Christopher Fryer.

NOW SCREENING CINEMA 2: NIGHTMARE ON TORTICE DRIVE





- ROW 5: Steven Stribling, Wade Morgan, Simon John-Hogg, Leigh Munro, Ben Tamme, Oliver O'Callaghan, Jon Warbey. Tanya Seidel, Jane Carrodus, Eeva Antila.
- ROW 4: Tim Price, Jason Lamb, Matthew Selman, Adam Condie, Joel Burgess, David Dellaca, Daniel Spargo, Troy Standish, Richard Fisher, Daniel Moldrich, Brad Pilato
- ROW 3: Peta Alexander, Kate Summerfield, Melissa Plant, Dion Wan, Troy Winters, Marina Cowling, Carolyn White, Nicole Fox, Sally Parker, Erika Nemsow, Vicki Haddow.
- ROW 2: John MacKenzie, Larissa George, Linda Waller, Tammy Bruce, Estelle Hickling, Shannon Cheal, Karen Van Krieken. Annika Mason
- FRONT: Dawn Williams, Kelly Atkinson, Elizabeth Crawford, Kelly Lawson. Adele Williams. Lara Tonti, Kate Digby, Brooke Grealy. Michelle Cuce.



KONNICHIWA MINASAN

Hello everyone, as the heading reads in Japanese. During the year of 1994, Parkwood Secondary College was privileged enough to host two exchange students; Eeva Antila and Rie Obokata. Both students seemed to really enjoy Parkwood and Australia.

Eeva Antila from Finland attended Parkwood from August 1994 to July 1995. She had wanted to be an exchange student since grade 5, and choose Australia because people in her country didn't know much about Australia.



The program was run through the Rotary Organization, who sent her to the Rotary club of Knox. Eeva had 5 different host families, two being from Parkwood, the Hickling's and the Bruce's, and she felt all her families were great. "They took me in as a member of the family, and I felt really safe with them".

In comparison to Finland, life and school was significantly different, according to Eeva. "It was more relaxed".

She also enjoyed the Melbourne nightlife, a bit of a rager. She visited Canberra, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide, the Gold Coast, Great Barrier Reef, Ayers Rock, and much of Victoria. She is now studying at home, and hopes to get into University, to study Law or Economics.

17 year old Rie Obokata, from Japan, came to Australia, in early January 1995. Whilst here, she studied graphics, English, Maths Methods, General Maths Tertiary, Biology and History. Rie really liked the smaller classes here at Parkwood, because in Japan there are approximately 40-50 students in each class.

Like Eeva, Rie enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere, and the friendliness of the Australian people. "School is very strict in Japan, unlike here." She doesn't miss her family at all, and doesn't want to return to Japan, as she wants to finish her studies here in Australia. She would like to study Tourism at University.

Hopefully they can come back for a visit. Good Luck to Eeva & Rie for all their future endeavors.

By Natasha Kikic





THE DEB BEHIND THE SCENES

The debutante ball was not just all fun and games for Allison Hallpike, Peta Waters and Katie Relf. Not only were they participating in the 1995 deb, but they were on the committee and were in charge of presenting a speech on the night.

For the audience, the deb was very entertaining and fun, though much work goes into preparing and presenting a debutante ball.

Some of the many tasks the committee had to perform was choosing the dresses and suits. They also had to organise what colour they would use for the boy's cumberband and the girl's wrist posies. Considering the main part of the night was the dancing the important decision of the instructor had to be made. They also had to organise the lessons, because of course, some weren't as good as others when it came down to dancing skills.

The committee were also responsible for the organisation of the venue, date, times it would start and finish, the band and printing out the tickets and menus. These were just a few tasks the three girls participated in, with the main one being their speech.

In the end, everything worked out perfectly with the boys looking handsome in their suits and the girls beautiful in their dresses. The deb was held at Rembrants on Saturday 6th May and the doors opened at 7:30pm. Everyone was supplied with drinks and a delicious meal to enjoy.

It was a good night and everyone enjoyed themselves. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the 1995 Debutante Ball and also to those who helped contribute to organising it.

by Janine Boschen.

Debutantes & Partners

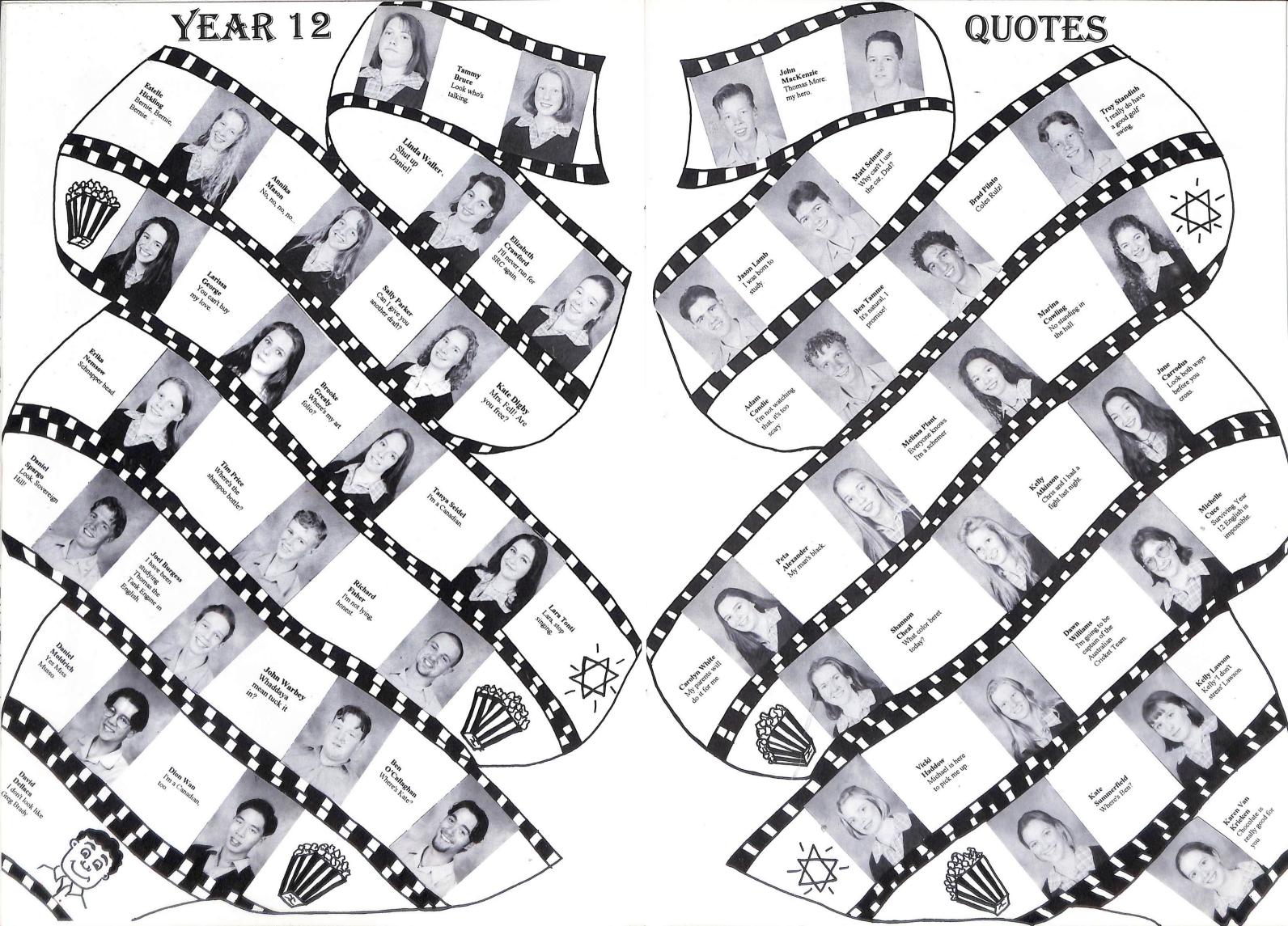
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Todd Ronaldson
Neville Fox
Aaron Robotham
Brendan Dillon
Nathan Russell
Rob Glas
Andrew Davidson
Evan Lorden
Adam Ghent

Elisa Freitas
Michelle Waters
Lyndal Selman
Simone Kuppler
Rebecca Elliott
Vicky Eden
Allison Hallpike
Katie Relf
Kelly Pinches
Leah Phillips

Andreas Schieren Simon Bishop Darren Roberts Mark Nowicki Christopher Nealon Daniel Donnelly Richard Unwin Steven Gregson Dale Hewitt Glen Hunt













Basketball

Kirstie Dench took up the job as head coach for the junior boys. In no time at all she had the team performing up to scratch, demoralizing other schools with their tough defence and fast moving game. The second last game was the highlight of the day. Both Croydon and Parkwood went into the game undefeated and this show down determined who went on to the zone finals.

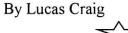
Swimming



This years swimming sports were held at Doncaster Aquarena on the 28th of February and were greeted with good weather. The events were very well organised with everything running smoothly. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

At the end of the day Atwell had taken out the

The game was a closely fought affair going down to the last second. Unfortunately Parkwood went down by three points. In the intermediate, coach Cameron Beard had his team playing exceptionally well. Parkwood didn't lose a game by more than five points and came ever so close to knocking off Heathmont, who were the overall winners.





house competition with 453 points, second was Gardiner with 448 points, third was Stirling with 400 points and last was Wiggin with 178 points. 7A won the competition of the forms. Over all 1995's swimming sports were a huge success enjoyed by the students and the teachers.

By Cameron Beard and Renee Kennedy













Football

Parkwood Secondary College's football team ventured off to the Norwood football grounds for intermediate football, not expecting much success against other schools like Croydon, Norwood, Maroondah and Ringwood.

We had a bye first round which meant that we had to play four games in a row. We watched Norwood vs Croydon in the first round: Norwood were the favourites to win the overall competition. We were against them for our first game.

We ran out onto the ground for a warm up and the umpire came over and wished us all a good game. We didn't really expect to beat Norwood but we jumped them at the start and won by a couple of goals.

Best players:Lucas 'spider' Craig, Willie Watson, Brett 'the great one' McNeill, Chris Leung and Matthew Lepla.

In our second game we came from behind to win against Croydon. We played very well in the backline and prevented them from scoring on many occasions. By now we were starting to think that we had a chance to win the round robin.





Athletics

The school athletic sports were thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended this year. The weather was kind on the day, creating ideal conditions for competition. There was a great deal of athletisism and determination shown in both areas of track and field events. At the end of the

Best players: Ben 'sailor' Everett, Brett McNeill, Chris Leung, Adam Beardall, Ryan Lea, Ryan Coutts and Stuart Moore.

The third game was the closest and also the hardest. It was against Maroondah and it was in terrible conditions. At the end of the game everyone was exhausted. It was an eventful game with two players from our team getting their teeth knocked out but, we ended up winning by a few goals.

Best players: The whole team

In the final game against Ringwood we had no chance. Everyone was exhausted and could hardly run. We only played half a game before they called it off.

Best players: 'Nobody'

Parkwood had their most successful intermediate school football team ever, and enjoyed the day although the conditions were terrible.

By Ryan Coutts









day Gardiner took out the house competition on a comfortable 881 points. The next closest being Atwell on 718 points, and 7B won the battle of the forms.

By Lucas Craig









Skiing

Waking up at a quarter to six is not anyones idea of a good start to the day, except for the students who were going on the ski trip to Lake Mountain. It was bound to be a fun day because most of the students that were on the trip had never been skiing and some of them had never seen snow before.

Everyone was anxious to get to the snow and the ride on the bus was not helping, it took about an hour and a half to get to Marysville. It was there we picked up our skis and changed into our wet weather gear, it then took another half an hour to get to Lake Mountain.

Once the skis were sorted we were off to our first lesson. Most of us were pretty pathetic. We practiced for a couple of hours and then went on a down hill run before stopping for lunch. After lunch we split up into groups and went along different trails depending upon the level of difficulty.

At about 3.30pm we all met back at the bus and by this time we were all glad to be heading home. It was an eventful day, which I am sure everyone enjoyed.

By Ryan Coutts.















Softball

This years junior girl's softball team has been Parkwood's most outstanding, having represented us in the Eastern Zone finals. The team trained almost every lunchtime for about a month before the event and won all five games against local schools. This automatically put them into the Eastern Zone finals.



There were some outstanding performances from players like Marlees Myngatopi, who played left field and was an excellent hitter: Madeline Evertt, who pitched and also played in the outfield and Casey Fitzpatrick did a good job as catcher. All the girls enjoyed the day.

By Ryan Coutts.

Hockey

After months of practice, Parkwood's senior teams took to the field. They wasted no time in demoralizing the opposition with their aggressive team tactics. Both boys and girls teams went on to the Eastern zone; but, unfortunately were narrowly defeated. The teams were evenly balanced, however there were stand out performances from Annika Mason, Natasha Siwek, Hayley Fitzpatrick, Chris Nealon, David Gow, Leigh Francome and of course our 'state goal keepers' Tavis and Philippa Cook.

The junior teams started training very early in the year as their skills needed much improvement. But both the boys' and girls' Year Seven team and the boys' Year Eight team where very enthusiastic, and their determination to play well was very clear. All junior teams missed out on the Eastern Zone finals, but through their gained experience; I'm sure next year is set to be a successful one for all teams involved.











Does the idea of living in a house, overlooking a beautiful Sunshine Coast beach, loaded with millions of dollars appeal to you? It probably would; well, it certainly suits principal, Mr Culkin, just fine.

Being our new principal, you probably don't know much about Mr Culkin; you've probably only ever seen him once or twice, patrolling the school grounds. Well here's some information about the "newest" addition to our school, that may help you understand him a little better.

Born in the country, Mr Culkin lived there until he was 5 and then moved to Melbourne with his family. During his school years, he described himself as a "battler", an ordinary type of student. He sometimes enjoyed and sometimes hated school. My guess is he would have really hated it when he was caught wagging school. Yes, that's right, your eyes aren't playing tricks on you. Mr Culkin actually wagged one day of school, and just as he was walking down the street, his mum caught him. How's that for being in the wrong place at the wrong time! He never tried it again though. He also loved to play sports (and still does) such as cricket and football. His very first job saw him as a civil aviation clerk in Melbourne. He finally decided to establish a teaching career, and his first teaching job was in Mildura. Mr Culkin has been teaching since 1972 and has been a principal for 5 years.

I wonder if his first impressions of Parkwood have lasted; he descibed these impressions as:

"students wearing uniform well, and extremely well behaved, clean tidy environment and a well organised school." Are you sure about the behaviour part, Mr Culkin?! He wishes to see the school continue with its good name, stand tall in the community and for the students to become more involved.

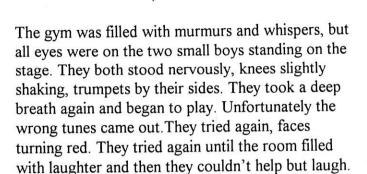
Principals don't look as though they do much around the school except sit in an office or walk around, looking as if they are doing something productive. But really, what do principals do? Mr Culkin performs daily duties such as dealing with paper work, managing money (\$3 million goes around our school each year) and working with a team of, what he describes as, highly qualified and dedicated teachers.

But after all the hassles of successfully running a school, Mr Culkin likes to lead a normal life. He has 4 boys aged 7, 10, 18 and 20 and his favourite TV show is 'Foreign Correspondent' on the ABC. I'm sure that one tops many of your TV show lists! He enjoys Thai food, music of all sorts, especially jazz and likes long distance running. But the thing I like most about our principal, is his great taste in football teams. Yes, he is an Essendon supporter. No doubt, a winner in this aspect!

All the best to Mr Culkin with the school, and someday he may be lucky enough to escape the stress of Parkwood and live his dream on the Sunshine Coast. A dream we all wish to live!

By Natasha Kikic





The first performance night was held in the gym on the 22nd of June. Parents, teachers and friends were invited.

There were many acts on the night, some were really interesting. Everyone took into account the nerves of the performers, especially playing in front of about 300 people. Some of the acts included the drama acts and music with the saxophone and keyboard, which was played well by Tim Parker. The trumpet players were good, as was the singing and dancing. There was very good participation from all year levels, but the Year Sevens participation level was the best.

Here are some thoughts and opinions from different people on the concert night:

Mandi Curtain, student- I thought it was really good. I really enjoyed participating in the dancing. If I had the chance I would definitely do it again.





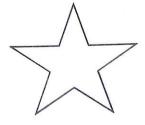
Ms Osborne, teacher- I thought it was rather interesting. I enjoyed seeing the different areas of performing arts, such as the drama act and the dancing. It was better than previous performances.

Mr Kemp, music teacher and organiser- I had a bit of trouble organising it, because some of the bands got to nervous and wouldn't play. I think to be honest that those people who practiced the most played better than those people who rarely practiced. Overall it was a pretty good night.

Jarrod Murtagh, student- I enjoyed participating and I would also like to do it again.

Overall the performance was a great success with many people turning up. Most acts were very well performed. I'm sure that those who went look forward to the next one.

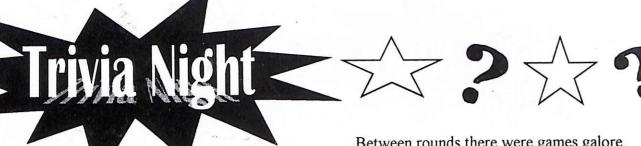
by Katie Moore and Tamara Curtain











By: Alana Bruce and Nicole Cuce
The room was buzzing with excitement,
As we opened the door to the gym.
The school looked entirely different,
Because the sun outside was dim.

The tables were full of faces,
Of students, teachers and the like.
Mr Maile was our master of ceremonies,
And he didn't even need a mike.

The questions came at us hard and fast,
About the present, future and past.
Who was that dog? What was that show?
We racked our brains, scribbled down thoughts,
These were the answers we needed to know.

Between rounds there were games galore,
Did you choose an ace of spades?
Or was it clubs, diamonds or hearts,
From which your fortune was made?

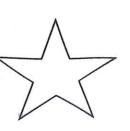
There were screams and shouts across the room,
When the raffle ticket numbers were said.
The table of prizes was slowly going down,
Some had won a free bed.

The main aim of our table,
Was to beat the table of boys.
Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful,
Judging by the noise.

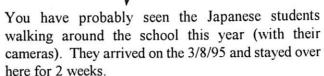
We (of course) came last again,
But our night was full of fun.
But when Trivia Night comes up next year,
Our table will be number one!







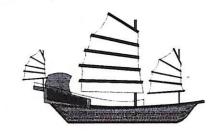




To interview them we had to journey down to A3. As we walked past the window and opened the door, their eyes looked up from making cards to the families they were staying with. Walking closer, we pulled up a chair but we were wondering how we would go about this interview. To our surprise they spoke very good English.

Four of the students spoke to us: Yagi (Takeshi), Atushi, Risa and Yohan (Suetsugu). The obvious first question was, "Do you like Australia"? They all looked at us with astonishment wondering what we had said.





Yagi said, "Go slowly". They all liked Australia, it was a large country for them and they would all like to live here. They hadn't seen a football match yet, but they had gone shopping lots. They also thought our food was different to theirs but just as good, and they missed their families at home.

In Japan they play basketball, go swimming and also do karate. They like our school as it is a lot bigger than theirs.

They would like to see the country and learn more about our culture. They would also like to study the English language a bit more.

Our interview ended with a whole lot of laughter as we asked them to write this message....

オーストラリア は とてもアムく 美しく 自然、かいいっぱいある国でサムケ は とても やさしい

By Marcus Reeka and Tamara Curtain.











Australia is very huge and beautiful. It is full of nature and people are really kind. GOITPTSNFM

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Junior Section Winner: Lauren Basilone Runner up: Lauren Crowe

Childhood Trash

She closed the door behind her and looked back at what had once bought a smile onto her fine lace lips. She threw her bags into the car and headed out towards the old dump yard. So many memories lingered there, and then were gone in the blink of an eye, without even the beginning of understanding.

Everything is always the same here. Sure, the weeds hung over the winding path now and cobwebs had been strung here and there and things had been conquered by the destructiveness of time and of rust. But the booming voice of crumpled old Jimmy could still be heard, echoing, echoing. echoing, forever echoing, ricocheting off the rusty elements like a gunshot and the puckish glint in his eye could still be seen gleaming over the roof of a collapsed car and the flash of his brilliant white teeth were like light beams streaming from his mouth.

Time changes everything, yet in here it didn't; nothing from the outside world could ever come in here. It was like when you passed the sign that said 'Welcome to the local dump' you passed through a portal into a world where you could be anyone you dreamed of, there were never any fears in there, just the misty hope of some city kids who had all to live for.

Jeanie remembered she and Tommy playing hide and seek amongst the ruins, that was to them their kingdom. She remembered Tommy's face that day, remembered looking though the fog at his dismay, like looking at a god through the misty body of a ghost. It was like watching him walk a tight rope without a safety net and knowing that one day he would fall. Well...by then he wasn't so little. And the days went on, those lazy days, those days they seemed to walk through some kind of haze, and those days they spent in the car parks, in those car parks where they had spoke of a million things, where they had looked a million times into each others eyes, where a million thoughts had lingered on their lips waiting to

be spoken, but never were.

She sat down on the gravel and, resting her elbows on her bent knees, lit a cigarette, she ran her hands through her hair. A smile played across her lips as she spoke ever so softly to herself 'What were you afraid of?' It was a happy voice, but it was strained under the pressure of the ancient silence that had lain there for a long time. Her voice sounded unfamiliar in the surroundings, it seemed so strange to recall that years ago her childish voice could always be heard and how fitting it sounded then when she and Tommy used to give Jimmy a hell of a time trying to catch them. The voice snaked about then she heard again in her baby-doll whisper, 'You were never afraid of anything, were you Tommy? You just left the party early.'

Jeanie tripped around the track, pulling absent mindedly at the weeds as she passed them. She bounced up the side of the trash mountain and sat on an old tyre. Something stirred in the recess of her mind.

She had sat on the car's roof top and was looking down at Tommy. He had said something odd then.

'I wish I was away from this world. I wish I could sit on a mountain top and just listen to the world go by, quietly, of course; it would all be so much quieter from a mountain top. Nobody could find me to hassle me or grieve for me and the mountain would talk to me and I could understand it because I had suffered its loneliness in the same way as it had. I could watch the world all day.' And she had smiled at this, because, yes, she felt it too, they were just so tired then, tired and burnt out, and then he had looked up at the building, and they had understood each other, without words.

Intermediate Section Winner: Doran Moppert

Ruuners up: Belinda Luscombe, Glenn Cochrane

Burn Baby

the faint breeze coming in through the broken window. Illuminated in its glare, one could see dimly the highlighted contours of a black-clad man. Dark hair - close cropped,

The match flared, flickered and then caught. It danced in narrow sideburns encroaching on a five- o'clock stubble. The flame moved slowly down, illuminating first his black, hooded nylon sweater - a tiny "sports" logo momentarily

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caught the light. Now a pair of nondescript black trackpants could be discerned, followed by the dull reflectivity of a pair of unpolished army boots.

As the flame approached the ground, a mimic of it approached from below. They met in a flood of blue light at the surface of the puddle of petrol. The flame skittered away, dancing in the dark eyes of the black-clad man. There was a definite expression there - but hard to define. Not hysteria. Not the look of a mental disturbance. The hint of pain - guilt? Fear? But overridden by a far stronger positive emotion. Ecstasy? Humour? Satisfaction...?

His lips curled up as the flame engulfed a couch, tearing black streaks through the plush upholstery. The stuffing melted away at contact with the flame, ripping cavities behind the remaining upholstery, which soon collapsed in a blaze of fire.

A lampshade was the next to go, rocking drunkenly in a halo of fire. There was a pop, then a tinkle of glass as the bulb exploded. Chunks of cloth from the lampshade spiralled, glowing to the floor. How long before these dancing tongues of flames reached the roof? Those glassfibre bats of insulation should paint a pretty picture. Beside the lamp a tentacle of flame hugged the wall.

billowing acrid, black smoke and reaching up towards a painting - a landscape. A lush green forest, with orange streaks reflected in the glass giving it an ironic feel. Before long, this too was surrounded by a ring of fire. The green of the forest soon turned to black and dimly-glowing red.

By now the room was filled with dancing spates of fire, the bitter stench of smoke and the harsh, desperate laughing of the man in black. He watched the flames cut holes in the roof, reduce the couch to a bare metal flame, eat away at the lampshade. Startled by the sound of breaking glass, he whirled to find the painting hanging in black rags, the frame having given way beneath the onslaught of the flames. In a shard of glass he could barely see his own reflection - a deeply lined face, blackened, dark eyes with pupils reduced to pin-points, giving him a demonic air. He turned, giving the room a last, final sweep. The couch was tilting, its metal inner frame painted black with soot. The lamp had fallen, its flimsy base eaten away by fire. Holes had been torn in the walls, showing blackened struts and crossbeams standing firm under the flame. Shreds of canvas fell from the remnants of the picture frame, sliding off the glass shards below, in which one could dimly see a silhouette climbing through the window, and out into the night.

Senior Section Winner:Shannon Cheal Runners up: Jane Carrodus, Karen van Krieken

Should Se In Movies

"Lisa,....Lisa!" I snapped to attention at the sound of Ms. Timpleworth's shrill voice. I'd been daydreaming in my Callisthenics lesson again and was sure I would be scolded in front of the class.

"Lisa, you will be our bride. Here is your speech. Learn It!" A bride? I'm only 8 years old. I don't even date. How am I going to tell my parents? Break them in gently, I think. Maybe we should live together first, you know just to make sure it works out....hang on. Who am I marrying?

"What's going on?" I whispered to the girl next to me. "The concert. You're the bride. I wish she'd picked me." Alison always wanted to be chosen for everything but she hadn't learnt her lefts and rights yet which meant she had to go at the back of the group with all the other uncos so no one would see her mistakes. I looked at the piece of paper in my hand; my script! It was almost half a typed page long and I had to learn it. How would I ever memorise the whole thing? I can't do it. I can't get up on

stage, in front of hundreds of people, under all those lights, in costume. The applause, the fame, the praise, the adoration,.....I'M GOING TO BE A STAR!

"Lisa! Get back in line!" screeched Ms. Timpleworth. I guess I'm not a star yet.

"No, no no! With flowers, lace and a smile. Okay, from the beginning, girls".

I'd forgotten my lines again! This was the third time we'd had to start over and the others were getting annoyed.

"Aaannddd,...one, two, three" drawled Ms. Timpleworth with a very peculiar movement in her writst, not unlike a conductor. I often thought to myself that she should get that looked at by a doctor. Things like that can get tricky if left untreated for too long. When my cat had a twitch like that she had to be put to sleep. I wasn't exactly fond of Ms. Timpleworth but I didn't want her to be put down. After all we couldn't do the concert without her!

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"When I am nearly 21 I'm going to be a bride..."
I made it! Thank goodness. For a moment there I feared I was turning into another washed up old actress.

"Well done my little bride. You're a natural, darling." I..knnooww.

Things were looking up. I had become the teacher's pet and that meant things could only get better - front of the class, another leading role, this was the big time. It also meant I became unpopular with the other girls. No one likes the teacher's pet but seeing as most of them never liked me in the first place, I didn't view this as a problem. Deep down I knew that they were just envious of my stardom.

"Lisa, would you like to come to my birthday party on Sunday?" Explaining to Brianna that I didn't like to mix my business and personal lives was not a pleasant task. She was rather offended and said she would never invite me to anything again and that included her end of year Callisthenics Christmas party. Fame has its perks but didn't they understand that I needed to keep my private life private.

"Thank-you girls. That will be all for today. You may go now but don't forget the dress rehearsal on Friday. It will be our last chance to rehearse before the concert on Saturday. Everybody bring their costume and matching Jiffies."

Dress rehearsal! That meant I could wear my bridal gown and show everyone how beautiful it is! Mum was finishing it that afternoon and I couldn't wait to try it on.

"Oww. It's caught in my hair. Stop! STOP!" Mum was a little bit over zealous is helping me get dressed.

"Sorry pet. You look lovely." She was right. I did look nice. More that that, I was beautiful. I should be in movies!

"Mother, call my agent, make sure he's ordered the champagne and roses for my dressing room. And tell him to finalise those limo's"

"What are you talking about? There's a glass of milk on the kitchen table and the daisy bush has lots of lovely flowers at the moment. You can pick some, if you like, but take off that dress first."

Did Shirley Temple have to put up with this kind of thing?

"Before you go, Lisa, I want you to have a look at something I picked out the other day. It's a tiara for your

hair." Uh oh.. A stage Mum. Ms Timpleworth would not approve of this. I could jeopardise my future leading roles .

"Uh, thanks Mum but I think I'm supposed to wear the veil."

"You can wear both."

This was going to be harder than I thought.

"Well, let me try it on...Oh dear, it doesn't fit. Well it was a nice thought. Thanks Mum." It is so hard to deal with conflicting image consultants. I'm only young you know. I hope I don't get burnt out before my time. What a loss to the acting world.

"Where's my other Jiffie?"

"Marjory, how did your costume get raspberry jam on it?"

"Sarah needs more lipstick."

"Who took my hairbrush?"

Sharing a dressing room with twenty other girls and their mothers was not my idea of start treatment

"Girls..."

Clap Clap.

"Girls! It's almost time. Now line up by the stage door. And no pushing! Ashley, dear, did you see where I put my aspirin?" Ms. Timpleworth was always nervous before a concert and spent the day shovelling Panadol into her mouth. One year I saw her standing by a toilet in the ladies room. When she saw me she dropped something into the bowl and started coughing and spluttering. She was so mad smoke came out her nose! Maybe the aspirin was to stop such violent behaviour.

"Lisa, your Dad and I want you to have this. You can wear it on stage and it will remind you how proud we are of you." Wow. My first gift from a fan.

"Now, it's not for getting this role, but for having the courage to go through with it. It's not succeeding that's important, it's having a go." It is? Well, okay.

"Now go out there and give it your best. And remember, it doesn't matter if you don't do it perfectly."

"But Mum, of course I'll do it perfectly. Ms. Timpleworth wouldn't have chosen me if I wasn't above the other girls and able to do fulfil my star duties perfectly."

"Lisa, You Are Not A Star. This is a Callisthenics concert for goodness sake. Eight other girls have lines in this thing." EIGHT! I had another look at my script. Not fair. She was right. All this time I thought I was a star and no one had had the heart to tell me otherwise.

Rublicly Speechless

Not many people have the ability to speak with confidence to an audience. A few individuals at this school have that talent and were put to the ultimate test; this year's Public Speaking Competition. While the day went on as normal day for most some students disappeared from their class. However a trail of cards, with some key words on them, lead to the library.

Before hand students from Year 7 through to Year 12 were reading and revising speeches. One by one each person stood in front of the group and recited their own speech. Each speech was closely observed by either Ms Kempton, Mr Culkin or Miss O'Connell. The speeches ranged in topic from "Life In The 70's" to "The Need For Gloves in Football". Each speech was judged on presentation, eye contact, preparation and research.

This years results are:

Junior Section

Winner: Mark Eaton Runner up: Leoma Dyke Highly Commended: Paula Selway and Kate Price.

Intermediate Section

Winner: Alana Bruce Runner up: Megan Phillips and Renee Kennedy.

Senior Section

Winner: Shannon Cheal Runner up: Tammy Bruce.



Maths Acheivements

Westpac Maths Competition

Once again, Parkwood Secondary College was very well represented in this year's 'Westpac Maths Competition,' the largest of its kind in Australasia. Through the years, Parkwood has acheived outstanding results: there has been countless numbers of students who have received Credits (top 25%) and Distinctions (top 10%). There has also been a handful of students who have won money for being in the top 1%. This year, the 18th of the annual competition, 70% of the participants from

Parkwood received awards, which is an outstanding result when you consider that only 45% of participants state-wide receive awards. Mr. Djoneff said there was a strong contingent with around 109 students competing for the juinor to senior section. Mr. Djoneff believes, 'it doesn't matter how students go, but what is more important is that they gain experience in an exam situation.'

Well done to all participants.

Maths Accelaration Program

As part of the Middle School elective system, the Maths Faculty is running an Acceleration Program. Within this program, the students complete Year 8 and 9 Core Maths in Year 8, Year 10 Core in Year 9, and VCE Maths Methods in Year 10. This allows the students to then study Year 12 Maths Methods while

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in Year 11, and this is what gives the students the opportunity of completeing a sixth Year 12 subject, thereby gaining a 10% bonus for Tertiary entrance purposes. In 1995, there were 23 Year 8 students, 12 Year 9 students, 15 Year 10 students and 7 Year 11 students involved in the program.

Maths Gross-Age Tutoring

Each Thursday lunch-time, a group of Year 11 students have been tutoring Year 7 students in their basic skills areas, with particular attention being paid to fractions. The Year 11 students who volunteered to help the Year 7 students are Francesca Cant, Misty Bryant, Leah Phillips, Andrew Rosewarne, Kirk Bloomfield and Olivia Robothom.

The tutoring takes place under the supervision of the Maths Co-ordinator and the response from the Year 7 students involved has been very positive.



The Student Representitive Council (SRC) was up and running this year, with students from every year level of the Parkwood community contributing in many ways. The SRC aimed to be a constant source of fund-raising and school support for events such as Red Nose Day. The school combined raising money for the S.I.D.S. Foundation with a "Wear Red" clothes day. It was a most successful day where Parkwood raised over \$320 - more than ever before. Junior forms raised funds for the Anti-Cancer Council with "Daffodil Day." This too was a success.

Next year we hope that the SRC will continue in its efforts to not only support other worthy causes, but also raise the school spirit at Parkwood. Mrs. Dot Henwood was a most helpful member of the SRC. She organised us when we needed to re-shcedule meetings, was there when we voted for places and also supplied contraband food from the staff room when meetings needed to be livened up. Thankyou to everyone who contributed and were so helpful and supportive of the SRC's efforts. James Gibson also deserves thanks for his efforts in attending school council meetings!

By Marina Cowling (President) and Karen van Krieken (Vice-President)

Members of the 1995 SRC

- 7A Casey Fitzpatrick, Jason Brown
- 7B Mark Eaton, Paula Selway
- 7C Bree Tapper, Dean Fallon
- 8A Damien Green, Kiera Valvo
- 8B Joel Strachan, Taya Misurka
- 8C Jessica Kling, Cody Sharp
- 9A Kate Gillson, Jacyln Gow
- 9B Triston Cook, Nathan Fearn
- 9C Sarah Donald, Bianca Valeri
- 10A Matthew Crothers, Kristi Brash
- 10B David Goodrem, Belinda Luscombe
- 10C Chris Leung, Renee Kennedy
- 10D Hayley Fitzpatrick, Brad Burke
- 11A Francesca Cant, Paul Eldridge
- 11B James Gibbons, Harry Andonopolous
- 11C Olivia Robothan, Andrew Rosewarne
- 12A Marina Cowling, Tammy Bruce
- 12B Karen van Kreiken, Kelly Lawson
- 12C Brad Pilato/Ben Tamme, Erika Nemsow-



Sister Act

When it comes to confidence the Bruce sisters sure have a talent. They have both competed in different public speaking competitions for Parkwood and both of them went extremely well. Tammy succeeded in winning best public speaker of the night, and Alana in her competition made Parkwood proud by winning and going on to the next stage of the competition.

Tammy's competition was held on the 20th of February this year. Ms Kempton asked Tammy to compete. Tammy sees Ms Kempton as her mentor, she has given Tammy help and confidence in herself.

Tammy spoke on Feral Cats; methods of control the responsibilities of domestic cat owners. She was able to choose the topic herself. She chose it because she had done research on this topic in her biology class at Parkwood. She found it easy to speak on therefore and Ms Kempton had gave her plenty of help preparing for the competition.

The other schools competing were Ringwood and Norwood. Tammy thought the boy who won overall presented an excellent speech but thought most of the other contestants' speeches were only moderate and not well prepared. Tammy won the public speaking section of the competition.

For the competition a point scoring system was used for the overall results and there were impromptu questions and an interview with the judge beforehand.

Alana seems to have followed in her big sister's footsteps; she has also been a very successful public speaker.

Alana's competition was held in the Parkwood School Library on the 10th of May. Alana was chosen to participate by Ms Kempton, who came to her at the last moment with a huge problem; she needed Alana to speak in the competition which

was to be held on the next evening. So Alana had to practise non-stop from then on.

Alana was also given the chance to choose her own topic, which was about zoos being closed. She found it easy because she had participated in a debate on a similar topic, but she found getting up alone, unlike in a debate when you are speaking for a team, was the most difficult part.

In Alana's competition three adjudicators marked separately and the contestant with the highest marks won. Alana won!!!! There were four other girls participating from schools such as Luther and Aquinas Colleges. Alana found them very hard to beat as they had very good speeches.

Alana's competition involved a six minute speech on closing zoos in Australia and an impromptu speech, chosen from three categories; humorous, topical and general. They were given thirty minutes to prepare a three minute speech. Alana chose the humorous topic, that schools should start late and finish early.

Alana feels if she hadn't of participated she would of missed on many experiences and wouldn't have as much confidence getting up in front of a room full of people and speaking to them.

Both girls agree that their parents have brought them up to be confident with people and the fact that their father is in the Airforce has helped too. They have had to move around and learn how to make new friends.

The Bruce sisters have made Parkwood proud with their efforts this year and we wish them every success in the future.

by Carly Strachan.

Second but still the best.

At the beginning of the year, a Year 10
Debating Team was put together. They were chosen by their English teachers, as the best in their respective classes. The team consisted of Alana Bruce, Kate Smyth, Andrew Middlemast, Lauren Voice, Daniel Bradd and Jayde Wood. The debates were held at Yarra Valley Anglican School, at night.

The first debate was against Aquinas. Parkwood's topic was that the Grand Prix should be held at Albert Park. Parkwood was just pipped by Aquinas, by two points. The second debate was against Healesville Secondary College, our topic being Zoos should be closed down. We had a convincing victory over them. The next debate was against Yarra Valley, arguing that we should have no more gun control than there is currently. We only just lost to them, by two points.

This was the hardest debate encountered, as the team was unaware of their topic before arriving on the night, to do a special 'unprepared' debate.

Now into the swing of it the second last debate was against Billanook. This debate's topic was that Australia should allow more refugees into our country. We won this argument, with Kate Smyth winning the best speaker for the night. Lastly we debated against Pembroke. The topic for our final battle was that women should not have any more sporting coverage in the media than what they currently have. We won this round, with Alana Bruce winning the best speaker award for the night.

Overall, Parkwood came equal second with a score of 18 points, Yarra Valley beating us by two, with a score of 20. Overall, Parkwood's debaters did an excellent job, and should be congratulated.

by Tony Brown & Marcus Reeka.



Student Profiles

Aaron Gullan

Aaron has been riding bikes for over 10 years. He has ridden BMX's, mountain bikes and road bikes. Aaron has around about 3 road bikes, 2 BMX's and 1 mountain bike and he also has a track bike.

Aaron has completed in many BMX and road bike races. Aaron has won many competition and if he didn't win them he would still come in the top 10. Not long ago Aaron went to Sydney to compete in a road bike competition where he did very well.

Aaron enjoys racing his bikes, it keeps him fit and active and it is very exciting. We all hope that he does well in the future and hope to see him in Sydney in 2000.





Xirstie Dench

Kirstie Dench has been playing basketball since she was 7 years old and she is now 15. The whole of Kirstie's family has played competition basketball. Kirstie has played in the Nationals and she has played for Victoria.

This year Kirstie is playing for Victoria in the under 16's Kirstie was asked to try out for the Victorian Metro Team and she was accepted. The state teams play all their games in Geelong at the Geelong Arena.

At the moment Kirstie is in the Elite Team Training Program. This training program runs 3 times a week in the morning before school at the Kilsyth Basketball Stadium. Kirstie said that there couldn't be a better sport than Basketball, it is exciting and hardwork. Kirstie aims to play for Australia and hopefully she will make it. Well done for getting this

far and good luck for the future.

Student Profiles

Olivia Robotham

This year Olivia Robotham is on her way to the U.S.A, with a little help from the Australian Girls Choir (well maybe a big help). Olivia has been in the in the Choir for 6 years and is very excited about going to America for 27 days of singing and fun!

Olivia has performed at the Concert Hall every year, also at the Grand Hyatt and even in Carols by Candlelight. Now Olivia has to put on her Mickey Mouse Ears because she and the girls will be singing at Disney World. If that isn't enough, she will also be singing at other hot places in America.

The Australian Girls Choir tours every 2 years. We hope you have a great time Olivia. I know I would love to be going to Los Angeles and San Francisco. Don't forget to send the school a postcard!





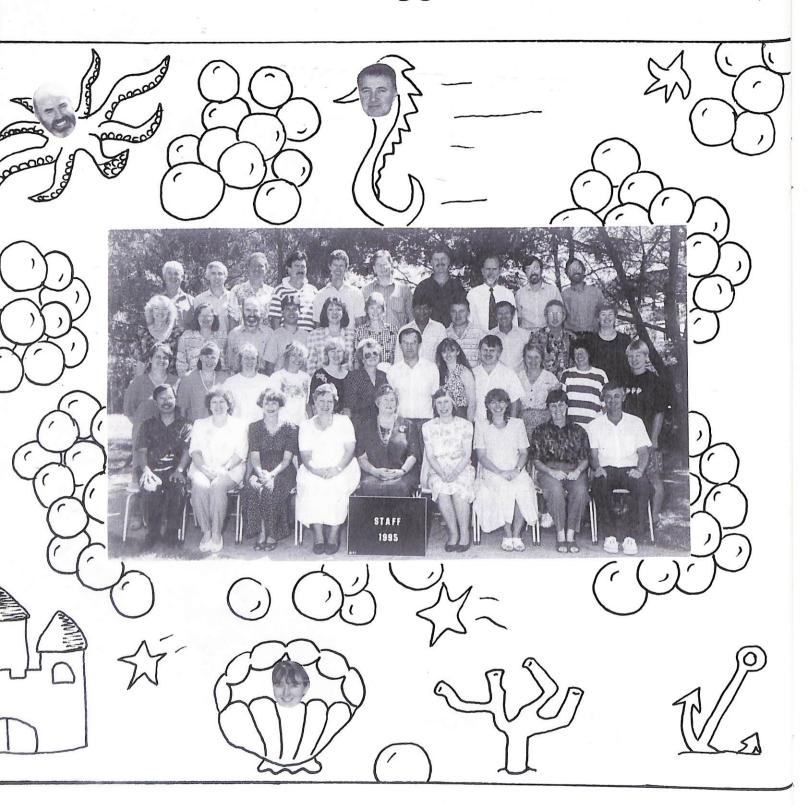
Ruke Biwek

Luke Siwek took off to fight the world. Luke was competing in the Karate World Championships in Japan. He travelled by ANA Japanese airlines and was picked up by a Japanese family where he stayed for two weeks.

The age group that Luke fought in was under 14. Luke won all of his 8 fights and he ended up coming third for his age. There were about 80 competitors that fought in his age group. Currently Luke is brown belt with 3 stripes and Luke is going for his black belt when he turns 15.

Luke brought back some souvenirs for his family and bought himself a Samurai sword. I think we can all say that Luke did well and pass on our congratulations to him.

Staff



- ROW 4: Brian Kemp, Peter Djoneff, Jan Zygmunt, Mark Beale, Steven O'Connor, Michael Byrne, John Moxey, Bob Hogendoom, Paul Sayers, Graeme Tiller.
- ROW 3: Margo Walton, Mary O'Donohue, Graeme Waugh, George Nicolaou. Sue Heinicke, Wilma Thomson, Reg Reddy, Andrew Hicks, Russell Oakley, Alan Mee, Mary Hare.
- ROW 2: Janet Koochew, Robyn Morrison, Erin Osbourne, Jan Thomson, Trish Tedesco, Quenelda Ramm, Bob Fisch, Cheryl Kempton, Ieuan Thomas, Marion Galloway, Sue Datson, Sari Petty.
- FRONT: John Chai, Lyn McDonald, Ann Hardy, Dot Henwood, Margaret Donald (acting Principal), Mary Evans, Jackie Fell, Judy Harmer, George Djoneff.

Teacher Interviews



Everyone knows who the teachers are, their worst, their favourities and the ones that are alright. But does anyone know what they are really like? Read on and you'll soon find out

Mr Fisch.

'Yes, I probably would pose nude for \$100,000 and I think the camera man would be more embarrassed than me!', chuckles Mr Fisch when we popped the question. Speaking of embarrassment, once Mr Fisch accepted 2 invites to a ball (from different people) and it ended up being the same ball! That, claims Mr Fisch was his most embarrassing moment.

As time progressed during the interview we moved on to more personal things...... like his first kiss. He describes the kiss as good and exciting, which wasn't the response we received from other teachers. Also we spoke to MrFisch about his worst fear and it turned out to be dying a long and lingering death. When asked about 'skeletons in the closet', he took his time about it, then finally he responded to the question saying, 'Yep, I do have skeletons in the closet, but the door is locked and the key have been thrown away!'

by Sylvia Turk.

Guess Who?

If this teacher was stranded on a desert, island she would take her partner, a good book and lots of suntan lotion. The ultimate revenge on the students would be to drop them in an active volcano and enjoy the show. She will not tell us about any skeletons in the closet, but her most embarrassing moment was when she was kicked out of the basketball stadium, for having a punch up with the referee.

To pose nude for \$100,000 is not on her agenda, because from her point of view there should be more mystery and intrigue to life.

Remembering the first kiss..... it was a farewell kiss, to her it was nothing shattering because it was very quick and sloppy. The ultimate way of skipping class, was to be on the sport teams. Brad Pitt is her favourite movie star and she would never miss E.R if he asked her out to dinner. Can you guess who this is??

by Alana Bruce.

Ms Kempton.

Have you ever wondered what Ms Kempton's most embarrassing moment was? What her choice of revenge would be on the students? Or maybe what her worst fear is? Luckily, I will be able to let you in on some of Ms Kempton's deepest, darkest secrets.

Early at school, Ms Kempton was a square but later on she became bored, so I guess that means that she became a rebel. Rebel or not when asked if she remembers her first kiss and what it was like, yes she did remember it and it was "forgettable". Wishing this was "forgettable," Ms Kempton's most embarrassing moment was when she accidently stuck her middle finger up at her Year Seven class.

If Ms Kempton had a few days to live she would spend them doing things she likes. Meaning she wouldn't be driving anywhere, as that is what she hates most. Oh and as a precaution, if Ms Kempton could have any choice of revenge you might just find yourself teaching, pretty scary isn't it!!!

by Natasha Siwek.

Staff Behind the Scenes



Who are the Cleaners?

Have you ever seen one of Parkwood's cleaners? No? And why is that? Is it because of their hours? This is the most likely reason.

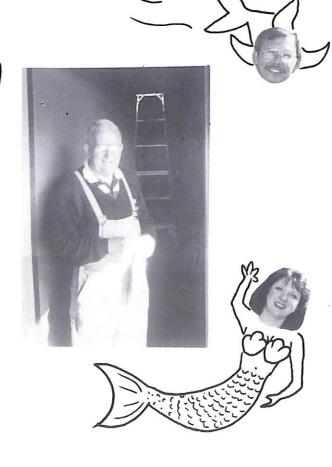
Parkwood's cleaners work from 5:30am-6:00am, then return at around 3:15pm, after we've messed up the school for another day, and continue working until around 6:00pm. They are a team of four cleaners, whose names are David, Frank, Dorothy and Helen. They enjoy their work, and their hours, because they are free to do other things in the day. Unwilling to reveal their ages, they all describe themselves as "too old," and all of the cleaners have families. They are not in contact with the students at the school;

but they think that the staff are "helpful and friendly," and that "Parkwood is a nice school, and the grounds are lovely." But then there's the obvious question. Why become a cleaner? "It seemed like a good idea at the time." And why clean schools? "Because we like them." Lastly, what are their interests? "House renovating, gardening, working on the computer, partying and travelling." It's obvious that they are very busy. It's no wonder then, that you never see them.

The Handyman Can.

Alan Taylor is the handyman. My guess is, unlike the cleaners, at some stage or other you have seen the handyman. Am I right? But what have you seen him doing? Working on Parkwood's gardens? Fixing all of the chairs, the tables and all of the other things that you or I have (accidentally) broken? The latter is the most likely, as this is what he appears to do the most. But did you know that he used to captain a Carlton Football Club team back in 1947? It's true! This ex-CIG worker played for Carlton for many years. He has lived a long life so far, and doesn't plan to end it soon. He likes his job: "If I didn't like it, I wouldn't be here." He also likes the staff, and especially the students because without them, he would have no job.

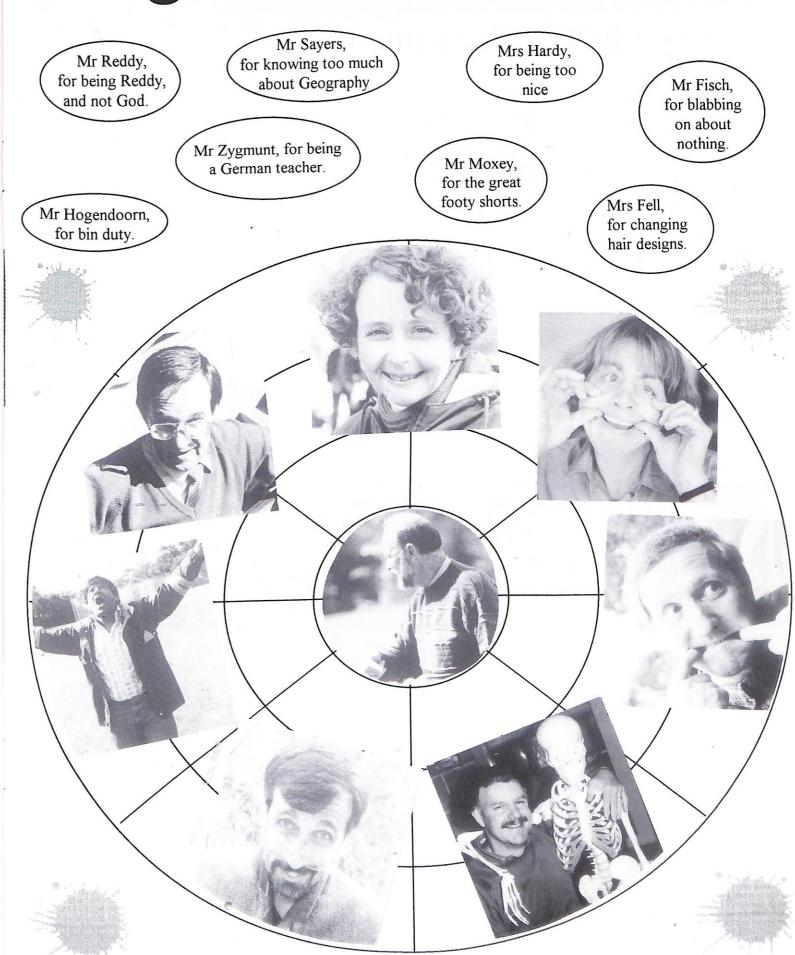
He says that his favourite parts of his job are knock off time, and general maintenance and repairing which, as it happens, are also his after hours hobbies. He has a fair amount of free time to do his hobbies in, as his hours allow him to do other things than work at the school. He works 5



hours per day, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. After he has worked his hours, he jumps in his Lexcen and drives home, knowing there will always be work for him at Parkwood.

by Tony Brown & Marcus Reeka.

Target the Teachers



It wouldn't be the same if...



Teachers

Mr Sayers didn't have a beard. If we knew how to answer "which Mr Djoneff?" Mrs Galloway didn't live in the Home Ec room. Mr Byrne wasn't fading away before our eyes. Mrs Petty didn't wear such groovy earrings. Mrs Hare's idea of a few notes wasn't 10 boards full. Mr O'Conner could apply sun screen properly. Miss Sterling didn't do 'Louie the Fly' impersonations. Mr Waugh didn't teach graphics. Mr Maile didn't barrack for the Geelong football team. Mr Hicks didn't get along with the students so well.

Mrs Morrison didn't hum and sing all the time. Mr Thomas didn't have an accent Mr Chai didn't speak all lesson. Mrs McDonald didn't bug you about your future and course selections.

Year 8

Rachel didn't have a motor-bike laugh. Wayne didn't have a 'Rocky' reputation. Kiera was quiet. Melissa didn't wear her hair in a pony-tail. Laura didn't sing all the time. Paul was 11 foot tall. Bryan didn't lean on his chair. Jessica wasn't a flirt. Kate didn't dye her hair.

Year 9

Matt didn't jump in front of cars. Troy stopped annoying people. Nicole didn't always talk about 'Chuckie'. Dominic didn't state the obvious. Kathryn didn't turn red. Sally didn't chew gum. Nathan didn't look like 'Astro Boy'.

Year 7

Alison wasn't in love with a Year 11 student. Karen wasn't a canteen groupie. Ben wasn't crazy about 'Christina Ricci'. Leoma stopped buying Mars Bars. Paula didn't look like an 'Ewok'. Paul didn't get out of everything.

PEOPLE

Year 10

Andrew didn't look and act like 'Kramer' Todd had two eye-brows. Marcus didn't look like the guy from 'Mad' magazine. Kristi didn't laugh at every little thing. Lauren didn't complain every time she got in trouble. Alicia didn't turn bright red all the time. Glenn wasn't obsessed with movies and the macabre. Willie and Adam weren't twins. Tony didn't say 'doh!'. Nickie didn't know everything. Sylvia didn't love 'Duff'. Carly was actually quiet for 2 seconds. Alana and Chris weren't a couple. Daniel didn't look like a reincarnation of 'Goldilocks' Renee and Sylvia didn't tie Brad's shoe-laces to the chair.

Look alikes...





















Did you know that a year 8 student did a debate with his fly undone!

Well everyone has an embarrassing moment they would like to forget, but we the journalism class, have dug deep into people's memories and found some embarrassing moments to share with you. Whether you laugh at them or sympathise for them, we only hope you enjoy them.

But remember, it could happen to you! Guess Who?

- k discovered they look like Marge Simpson
- wrote in their descriptive writing 'the bowet has three feet with big claws and another foot coming out the back'
- got a congratulatory kiss from Richard Unwin, the man of her dreams
- was responisible for kicking a football into his own face
- ran straight into a volley ball net
- were the four guys were that stood up in class and did a Four Amigo act involving hip gyrations
- it was that wore their school jumper back to front

Guess whos quotes these are ...

- 'How much money do I get'
- 'George shot Lennie in the back of the head to save his life'
- 'I knew that'
- 'You know what's so, so annoying'
- 'I ate it
- 'Isn't Richard georgeous'
- 'You silly little boys'
- 'Right, right sit down'
- 'Please, please, please be quiet'
- 'My grandfather takes his cows to knackery to get their things cut off'

- * Micheal Watson
 - * Glenn Cochrane
- * Mrs Petty * Sylvia Turk
- * Paul Salmon

* Adam Beardall

- * Chris D 'Amico * Mr Waugh
- * Mr Mee
- * Alison Crawford
- * Chris Leung
- * Rian Foster
- * Alana Bruce
- * Trevor Pritchard
- * Mr Moxey
- * Trevor Jennings

* Daniel Bryant

* Janine Boschen



My Regrets The Day My Foot Was Stuck In A Teapot!

In your life there must be at least one thing that you regret. I know we have some, but let's not go into that! Instead here are what students from Years 7 and 8 regret doing.

Year 7

I was angry one day and somebody took my bag and I ran around the room chasing him. I took off my shoe and it hit the glass. The glass was a special kind of glass and it can't be replaced.

I regret the day I gave my friend concussion and a very bad head ache. I went up for a spekie but got the back of his head and knocked him out.

I grabbed a chair with wheels on it to reach the shelf with my paper on it, then the chair moved and I fell off and cut my leg open. I needed 7 stitches

I regret the day I forgot to feed my crab. The next morning I went to feed it. It was dead.

Year 8

I tried to iron my pants, one day, but I set the carnet alight instead. Now there is a large black mark on the lounge room floor.

I regret the day I went to a shopping centre. I was walking down an isle and I bumped into a stall. As as I walked away my foot connected with a \$700 painting.

I regret the time when my brother was riding his skateboard in the house and I pushed him through the window. He didn't even get hurt. Mum ended up picking up the glass.

I regret the time I got my foot stuck in a tea-pot. I had to go to hospital while they tried to get it off my foot.





GENERATION GAP QUIZ!

Could you name the TV show in which Dean Cain Stars in?

If not, you're not alone; Mr Reddy and Mrs Hardy couldn't either as we found out in a recent quiz between staff and students of Parkwood Secondary College.

Two quizzes were held, each with 2 members of staff and 2 students. Each side were asked 3 questions and if a tie break occurred, another question decided the outcomes.

Quiz 1. Mr Reddy and Mrs Hardy vs Jessica Watson and David White

We started off with 3 questions to the older generation.

- Q. Frogstomp is what? a. Album b.Dance or c. New Drink.
- A. A dance. Incorrect, it was an album.
- Q. Dean Cain appears in what TV show?
- A. No answer, both teachers obviously don't watch Lois and Clark
- Q. Rip Curl is what type of clothing?
- A. Mr Reddy knew this one pretty quickly, answering surfing.





We then asked 3 questions to the younger generation.

- Q. What year did the VFL change to the AFL? a.1990 b.1987 c.1982
- A. 1990 was answered correctly.
- Q. In what year was JFK assassinated? a.1958 b.1962 c. 1963
- **A.** They answered incorrectly, 1962, when it was, in fact, c. 1963
- Q. Who was the actress in Bewitched who recently died?
- A. This one was a tricky one, with students not being able to answer Elizabeth Montgomery.

So far the score was 1 all, meaning a tiebreaker. We asked the teams to answer this question:

- Q. Name the 2 colours in the Spanish flag?
- A. Surprisingly, the students got in first answering correctly; red and yellow.



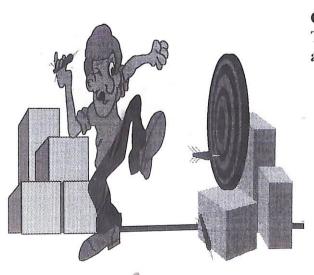
Quiz 2. Mr Fisch and Mrs Galloway vs David Goodrem and Laura Morrisey.

We again started with 3 questions to the older generation.

- Q. Name 2 Simpsons characters.
- A. Mrs Galloway answered Homer Simpson and Santa's Little Helper, which was correct. Obviously a Simpsons fan.
- Q. On what part of your body would you wear BOKS?
- A. Around your waist was answered, but that was incorrect with the answer being your feet.
- Q. What current movie does Johnny Depp star in?
- A. Neither knew this answer. Don Juan De Marco.

We then asked the younger generation 3 more questions.

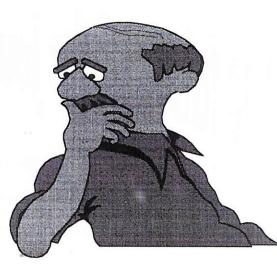
- Q. We recently remembered VP day. What does VP stand for?
- A. Victory in the Pacific was answered correctly.
- O. What flavour was a Choo Choo bar?
- A. Another correct answer was given, which was liquorice.
- Q. Name the lead singer of the Supremes.
- A. A clean sweep to the younger generation, answering Dianna Ross.



CONGRATULATIONS to the younger generation! The teachers obviously need a bit more study in this area, with the score being 5:2.







Cameron Beard Body Builder Shaun Ramsey

Studying a psychology course in Ballarat, with no money

Tamara Curtain

Living with Todd, owning own business and having an affair with Simon Minton Connell

Alana Bruce

Happily married to Chris and owning her own Jewellery shop

Sylvia Turk

Married to Duff with her own heavy metal band

Kate Smyth

Being 3rd speaker yet again in a debating team somewhere

Natasha Kikic

Still fighting with David

David Goodrem

Still annoying Natasha

Paul Mavin

King of the Coles Dairy

Marcus Reeka

Touring Car King

Michael Watson

Owning a surf shop in California

Tony Brown

Hell! I don't know.

Lucas Craig

Playing in the N.B.A

Ryan Coutts

Prime Minister of Australia

Carly Strachan

Married to Ben with a couple of curly haired kids

Janine Boschen

Working as a check out chick

Natasha Siwek

Coaching Essendon football club and married to Smokin' Joe Misti

Katie Moore

Going to be an unmarried party dude but successful

Angela Baron

No money, living in Queensland, working at Coles

Phillip Lawernce

At uni studying physics and biology

James Wilson

Being a musician.

When we leave school at the end of Year 12 some of us have our future planned, but some of us just don't know yet. Anyway this is what our Journalism class thinks they will be doing in ten years time.





