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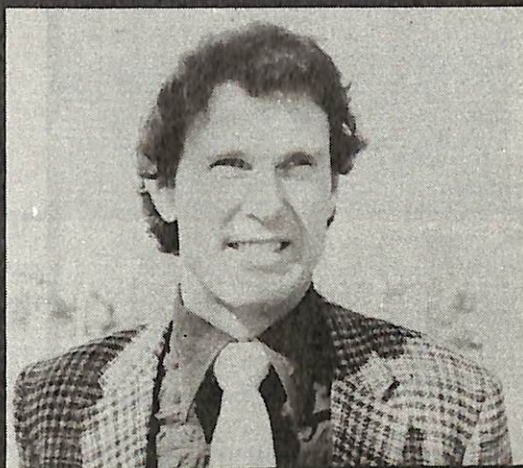
JUNE 1981

WELCOME

New Faces at Maroondah

A large number of teachers, 17 in all, left the school at the end of 1980, so we are welcoming an unusually high number of new faces to the staff.

We are particularly pleased to welcome our new Deputy Principal, Mr. Norman Tillack, who comes from Burwood High School. He is already fully involved in school activities, including the P.T.C.A. and the School Council, and has met many parents at the Parent-Teacher evenings. He is teaching some Accounting.



Mr. Duxbury-Thompson, Mr. Corr, Mr. Oh, Mr. Hardiman, Mr. Constable and Miss Darby.



Mr. Bevege, Mrs. Rodger and Mrs. Wlodarczyk.

Mr. David Orange, our new librarian, comes to us after 11 years experience as librarian at Lilydale High School.

Mr. Philip Duxbury-Thompson has come from Hallam High School and is enjoying being with us. He teaches Maths and Science.

Also teaching Maths, is Mr. Seng Oh, who comes from Richmond High School.

Mr. Peter Corr, one of our ex-students, has returned to teach Geography.

Mr. Vincent Hardiman from Wellington High School, teaches Woodcraft, Metalcraft, Art and Graphic Communication.

Mr. Robert Constable teaches English and Drama and is himself an experienced actor.

Miss Ann Darby teaches English and History. A former teacher at Syndal High School, she has come here after a year spent studying Arts Administration in Adelaide.

Mrs. Maria Wlodarczak and Mr. Ross Bevege are our two new Physical Education staff.

We are very happy to welcome our two new music staff, Miss Barbara Bannister and Mrs. Jennifer Rodger, who are already busily involved in music activities throughout the school.

Mrs. Priscilla Zwitzer came from the U.S. nine years ago as an exchange teacher and decided to stay. She is teaching Art, Craft and English.

Mrs. Marion Stevens has come from Merrilands High School to teach English and History and is happy to be much nearer to home.

"THE MUSIC MAN"

Once again the school will be producing a musical - this time 'THE MUSIC MAN'. With a cast of about 60, and a backing staff of 30, a well organized and dedicated team are working hard, both during school and after school, to bring this tuneful and most entertaining musical to the stage of our theatre. The performances will be on 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th August commencing at 8 p.m.

The story concerns a travelling salesman - Professor Harold Hill - who goes about Middle America selling musical instruments and uniforms. When the unsuspecting people have bought them, he then skips the town and goes elsewhere to make more dollars as a con man. In this musical he arrives in River City, Iowa, and something goes dreadfully wrong. He falls in love with the attractive young librarian, Marian Paroo, insults and cajoles the school board, fools the local mayor, and helps a young boy with his speech.

This is the basis for the plot of 'The Music Man'. The music itself is happy and bouncy, with the main hit song being '76 Trombones'. Mark Donaldson is Professor Harold Hill, Lyndell Wickham is Marian Paroo, Tim Corr is Charlie Cowell, John Brohm is Mayor Shinn, Linda Gorman is Amaryllis, Kate Morton is Winthrop, Linda O'Sullivan is Mrs. Paroo and Tony Marshall is Marcellus Washburn.

The school orchestra will provide the music under the direction of Mr. Bradbury, whilst Miss Ayres leads the dancers, Mrs. Rodger and Miss Mitchell the singing, and Mr. Constable and Mr. Corr the stage direction. Mrs. Evans is our accompanist on the piano with the overall direction being handled by Mr. Hutchinson.



A PLAY CALLED 'FAMILY FEUD'.

On Friday the 8th of May, 1981, the Year 7's and two year 8 forms, put on drama productions in the school theatre.

Year 8f performed a play called 'Family Feud'. It was a western and it was about two families who were having a feud. When they finally made a truce, a girl from one family called Sue-Ellen and a boy from the other called Billy-Boy, decided to get married. This started the feud again, but they still had the wedding. They didn't get married though because Sue-Ellen walked out in the middle of it after Billy-Boy tripped her over.

The play was written and directed by Katrina Madge with some help from Mr. Corr, Miss Free, Mr. Grant and Mr. Constable. The main parts were played by Carolyn Taylor and Richard Farkashazy. Everyone involved in the play did a great job.

Richard Farkashazy 8F.



Mark Donaldson
and Lyndell Wickham.



John Brohm and Sonya Mau.



Lynda Gorman and Kate Morton



DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOL

At the age of 5, I attended Ringwood East Primary School. Now I am 13 and I have been at Maroondah High School for 2 months, after leaving Primary School last year. In the short span of time that I've been here, I have noticed many differences between Primary and High School. For instance, there are about 5 times as many teachers as there were in my old school. For different subjects, there are different teachers and different rooms. There is also an abundance of subjects ranging from English to Home Economics. We have to wear a uniform, sometimes different ones in individual subjects (Drama, P.E.) In P.E. we are taught to do more strenuous exercises, all to make us fitter. Even at recess, people act more maturely - they don't run around as in Primary School. The school ground is at least 3 times as big and there are lockers instead of desks to place our books in. These are just a few of the differences between Primary and High School.

Graham Jang 7B.

OUR EXCHANGE STUDENT

IMPRESSIONS OF AN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Many people have asked me what it is like being an exchange student. My answer is - great! There are so many new experiences and opportunities around.

I came over with the exchange program 'Youth for Understanding'. I live in Grosse Pointe Park, a suburb of Detroit, Michigan. I have two sisters and a brother, all younger. I went to a small private school and would have been graduating this year had I been home.

Australia and the United States are much the same in many regards, but they are also very different.

One of the most obvious and first noticed differences is the side of the street Australians drive on - the "wrong" side. That takes a lot of getting used to, especially when crossing the street. One of the first days I was walking home from Maroondah, I stopped to cross Maroondah highway. I looked to see if there were any cars coming - no cars. So I stepped into the street and looked in the other direction to see all kinds of cars coming at me - I'd looked in the wrong place for the cars.

School, too, has its differences and similarities. The subjects are basically the same - English, Maths, Science, History and Business. The way in which the subjects are taught is a little different. At home instead of taking a math class and covering algebra, geometry, trigonometry, all in the one year, we take a year of algebra, a year of geometry, a year of trigonometry.

A lot of our social life stems from school. Different clubs and organizations cause students to get together after school hours. These include: drama club, yearbook, sports, ski clubs, National Honor Society, choral, student council, Girls Athletic Association. Each club or organization often sponsors activities - sometimes to raise money, sometimes just for fun. These activities include: Christmas dance and other dances, a fun day for a school of inner city kids, a weekend camp, a night ski trip and a donkey basket ball game. Depending on the night and activity, it is not unusual to find students at school at 9 o'clock at night.

Being an exchange student is a terrific experience. I'm really enjoying the new people, places and experiences. Living with a new family does have its trials, and yes, I do get homesick occasionally, but it has already been worth it.

Trina Bresser.



Trina Bresser, our American exchange student is presented with her Form Captain's badge by The Mayor of Croydon, Cr. Freeman. Cr. Freeman, a former teacher at this school, presented badges to the Year 12 students, Form Captains and House Captains at a ceremony in the Community Centre on March 4th.

OUR TOP HSC STUDENTS - 1980



Our top HSC students 1980 were Jenny Gaunson and Grant Hutchinson.

Jenny, having accepted a place at SCV, Burwood, has deferred for a year and is working in a bank.

Grant is currently doing the first year of a Law/Economic degree at Monash University.



Mr. Corr



Mr. Fletcher (-Jones)

WORK EXPERIENCE REPORT

After rising at six, the temperature at 8°C and your heart beating like a drum, you are faced with a group of new faces and told you are to follow someone around like a dog. You're handed a scrubbing brush, bucket, rake and spade and given the job of cleaning the bird droppings from the hand rails in the aviaries.

You're given the wonderful opportunity to be like an animal and stand in a cage while the crowd point their fingers and laugh, to say nothing about training to be a dishwasher, free of charge, while washing the two hundred food dishes before morning smoko at ten.

My week at Healesville Sanctuary also included such jobs as bottle-feeding a two week old joey, who was intent on looking around the animal nursery and kicking with his hind legs while I determinedly attempted to put a teat into his never-opening mouth. Four wombats - Ernie, Wilma, Llewellyn and Ben engaged my attention for several hours while I fed them three times a day. Llewellyn insisted on sleeping in my arms while I held a drinking bottle which persistently maintained the same level of liquid. Two baby koalas gazed into my face with their tiny eyes while a shocking slurping noise rose to my ears.

So much for my delightful week of 'rest' while my friends 'slaved' at school, recording schoolwork for me to complete on the weekend, so I wouldn't become bored!

Melinda Dodds 10B.



Mrs. Cole (Coal)

FAREWELL

FAREWELL TO MRS. COLE

On May 8th, Mrs. Cole left us. As our form had Mrs. Cole last year as a form teacher and also for English, we thought that we would give her a going-away party.

Natasha and David, our form captains, organized the party and everyone contributed to make the party a success. There were presents and cakes and drinks. Mrs. Cole was very surprised, as we all hid and jumped out at her and yelled, "Surprise!" She was very grateful and tears nearly flowed out of her eyes and down her cheeks.

Students of 7C.

8E's PARTY FOR MRS. UNTHANK

At first we didn't notice, but after a month or so we were positive of her pregnancy. We found out she was leaving the day before the Easter break, so we decided to have a farewell party for her. We each put in 50c to buy her a present. Four of the girls in the form went to Eastland and bought her some baby needs as presents. Then on Thursday, the 16th of April, we held a surprise farewell party for her. Everybody brought some food and drinks, making it a great success. Mrs. Unthank was very surprised and appreciated it all very much.

Nicholas Mau 8E
David Adams 8E
Evan Milne 8E
Kent Hutchinson 8E

THE DINKUM AUSSIE

Is the dinkum Aussie image
Real or fantasy?
How many Yobbos do you find
Like old Norm on TV?
There's not too many wandering round
With eskies in their hand,
And zinc cream smothered on their noses,
Their bodies golden tanned.
I can't recall the last time I heard
"Av a go ya mug!"
If asked what patriotic meant,
Two-thirds of them would shrug.
To me the dinkum Aussie
Was around the squatters' time,
And when the world consisted
Of a less amount of crime.
They sometimes lived a lonely life
So valued company,
And every-body's name was 'mate'
Whoever he should be.
They trusted one another
And his tea, was yours, to sip,
And in my own opinion,
That's what I call Mateship.
Nowadays, a belly pot is 'just a little
weight',
And in the pub your drinking partner
Is your so-called mate.
And when the fellas brag and say
They're into different sports,
That's spectating at cricket,
In a pair of thongs and shorts.
The dinkum Aussie of today
On me has no impact.
So go on, take a closer look
You'll see it's just an act!

Kay Hislop 11B.

STOP PRESS! Mrs. Unthank had a baby boy,
James, on May 29th.

Year 11 Biology Camp

The Year 11 Biology Camp was held during the last week of Term 1 at the Boys' Brigade Camp, Yarra Junction, on the Little Yarra River.



Guess who fell in the water?
Linda O'Sullivan and Kerry Percy.

Yr.8 Activities-Jells Park

On the 20th March, Year 8 students went on an activities day to Jells Park. We were accompanied by Mr. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Schoonderbeek, Mr. Grant, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Unthank, Mrs. Puckridge and Miss Wilken. When we arrived we were split up in to groups. The activities were birdwatching, a nature walk, pond study, getting to know trees, sport and orienteering.

After a while it started raining and we hadn't even had our lunch. It was lucky the barbecues were lit. For lunch we could pick to either bring a cut lunch or else something to cook on the barbecue. During lunch there was a film about the park and the way it runs. You could see the film if you wanted, but others cooked their lunch in the rain. After it stopped raining all the students and the teachers walked around the boundary of Jells Park. We walked down slopes, around the big lake, up slopes, through grass, down to the creek, straight to the entrance and back up to the lunch area. Then we had to wait for the buses to arrive. Then, back to school.

Kylie Dickson 8A
Nicole Hoppener 8A
Tanya Neet 8A



H.S.C. CAMP INVERLOCH



Preparing a meal. Graeme Dear, Gary Pereira and Harry Miller in the kitchen.



Glynis Knee and Margaret Williamson.



An evening's fun after a hard week's study.

MAROONDAH HIGH SCHOOL

P.T.C.A. COMMITTEE

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The P.T.C.A. are anxious to improve communications with parents. Please feel free to contact any of the above Committee members.

P.T.C.A.

P.T.C.A. REPORT 1981

The Parent Teacher nights for this year were well attended by both staff and parents, despite bad weather. These nights are a good opportunity to meet staff informally and we are very grateful to those who have up their time to attend.

The Year 7 Walkathon this year raised the sum of approximately \$1800 for the improvements outside the Library. It was an enjoyable day and the students are to be congratulated on the success of the Walkathon.

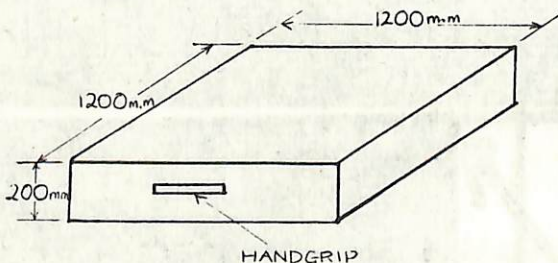
This year the Art/Craft Festival will be held on October 9th, 10th, 11th and will be opened by Dame Phyllis Frost. A great deal of work goes into the Festival and we would like to see as many families as possible attend during the weekend, to view the wide range of crafts on display, including excellent displays by students.

Ann Hallett - President.

HELP REQUIRED FOR DRAMA DEPARTMENT!

Assistance is urgently required to help build up the stock of equipment in the Drama Department for use in Drama classes and school musicals.

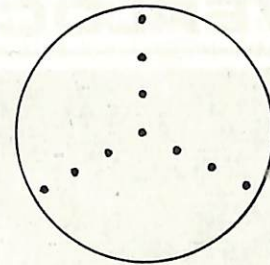
In particular, Mr. Constable would like someone who can wield a hammer and nail to make some (up to half a dozen) rostra. These are simply boxes 4 feet square, 8 inches high, with a top.



If you have the time and feel that you would like to help in this way you can ring Mr. Constable at the school 8704551 to obtain more information.

PUZZLE CORNER

Using a 10c coin, draw 3 circles within the above circle in such a way that each dot is fenced off in a region on its own.



A certain family party consisted of 1 grandfather, 1 grandmother, 2 fathers, 2 mothers, 4 children, 3 grandchildren, 1 brother, 2 sisters, 2 sons, 2 daughters, 1 father-in-law, 1 mother-in-law and 1 daughter-in-law and yet there were only 7 people present there! Can you show how this might be?

How many minutes is it before six o'clock if fifty minutes ago it was four times as many minutes past three o'clock.

Garden Prize

The prize for the best improved school garden within the Ringwood District has been awarded to Maroondah High School.

We will soon be presented with a framed print by the A.N.A. Our congratulations go to Mrs. Buchanan, her horticulture students and all others who assisted.

Our previous success was in 1976 when we received the framed print of the country race meeting which is on the wall opposite the fish tank.



Art Craft Show

**October 9,10,11
DON'T FORGET!**

If you would like to present work for sale contact the school for application forms.

Thank You

To all staff and students who have contributed articles, drawings and photographs as well as those who helped put this magazine together.