

THE GATE

2000



An important part of Dandenong High School's heritage is its school magazine and I am happy to have been associated with it over the last four years.

As an Olympic year and the dawn of the new Millennium, we have seen many changes to the school and our society. One thing that hasn't changed is the pride that both current and ex-students feel when they talk about their association with Dandenong High School and why not? Undeniably it is a fantastic school. As they say..... "Once a Dandy High student always Dandy High student".

A few months ago someone passed me a copy of the 1956 "Melbourne Olympic" edition of the 'Gate'. After reading it I realised that being a member of the Dandenong High School community is a life long commitment. Even as teachers we feel lucky to be able to work for a school that prides itself on its tradition and strength of community spirit.

Reading the 1956 magazine made me realise that in another 40 or so years when the Olympics possibly reach our shores again another teacher will be coordinating the magazine and may just be reading this piece as I am sure Dandenong High school will thrive for many years to come.

I would like to thank all those who have committed themselves to ensuring that the 2000 Millennium 'Gate' is bigger and better than any other. I would especially like to thank the year 12 Media Studies class who worked tirelessly on the magazine.

I hope you enjoy the 2000 Dandenong High School 'Gate'.

Yvonne Ellins
Gate Coordinator



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PRINCIPAL'S report

Another year over So go the words of a well-known Beatles song. But not just any old year over. The students of any one-year at Dandenong High School are special and the group for the year 2000 are no exception.

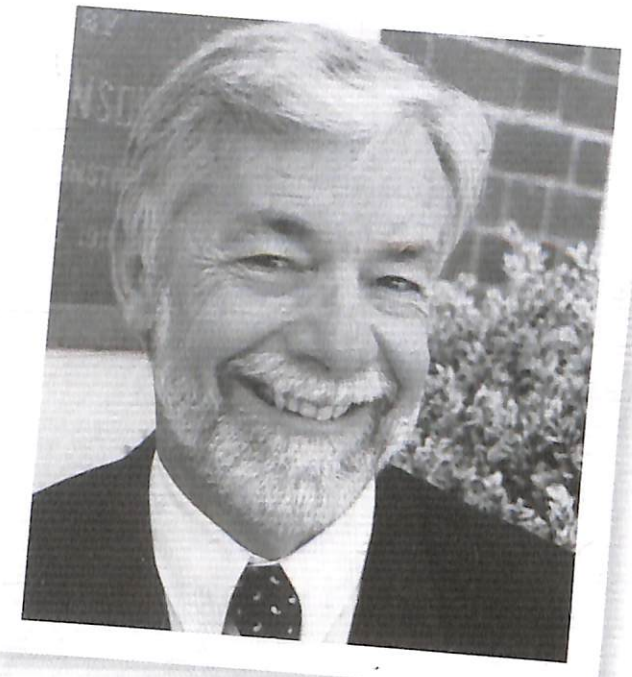
This has been my first year at Dandenong High School since crossing from the Ringwood area, a year which opened with high anticipation built around the fine reputation of the school I had heard so much about. Was I to be disappointed? Not a chance! What a place - a place of nearly 1200 students from quite varied backgrounds, working together on a small, incredibly well kept and well resourced site with a history dating back more than 80 years.

The year has been dotted with many successes, those successes built out of desire to participate and do ones best. Successes in debating/public speaking, in sporting activities (some highlights having been the Senior Girls Tennis Team making the All High Schools Final, the Junior Table Tennis Team winning their zone grand final), drama and musicals, academic successes against internal and external competition, winners in writers competitions have all characterised the year 2000. Like in any other year, this year's student population has done the school proud. There exists a wonderful ethos amongst the students at Dandenong High School - a desire to get in and give things their best shot. I am also most impressed by the gratitude that our students show when things are done for them, particularly towards their teachers. A recent survey of more than 1000 of our students has indicated a very high level of satisfaction with their time at Dandenong High School. This is certainly a school with a soul and spirit, unlike many others.

The year has seen many developments and changes - the creation of a new information centre in the Library, improvements in the grounds and environment, extension of computer network to more classrooms and learning areas, changes and improvements in the curriculum.

The key celebrations that form part of the cultural integrity of the school have again taken place - Anzac Day Ceremony (addressed by a Timor veteran ex student), International Day, House Chorals, House Colours, Student Leadership, Debutante Ball, Year 12 Dinner and Final Assembly, Ex Students activities. Some other schools may have some of these, but none do it better than Dandenong High School.

I want to thank the School Council for its support and work towards realising the vision for the



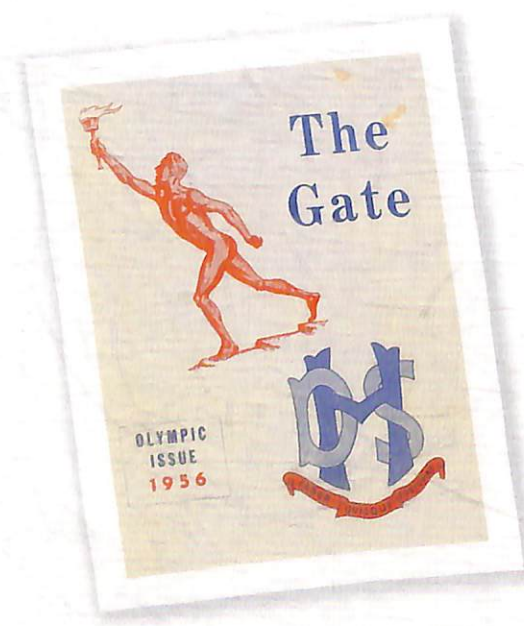
school, to thank my principal colleagues, Robyn Stevenson and Peter Ward for their untiring work for the school, to thank our wonderful teaching staff, to thank our excellent non teaching support staff, to thank the parents of the students for supporting their students and the school in the pursuit of quality education and most importantly to thank and congratulate the students for their efforts - you have done yourselves, your families and your school proud.

I want to wish all students well with their futures, but particularly our graduating Year 12 students. You have been an excellent group to work with. The school has placed you well for what we hope will be a successful future. I want also to pay tribute to the team under the leadership of Ms Yvonne Ellins who have put this "Gate" together in 2000.

Challenges lie ahead for the school in this time of change at the start of the new millennium. We can be sure that change will be a constant in this century. Dandenong High School is well placed to take on any challenge and to prosper.

Dandenong High School collectively must lead the heavy elephants across the shaky, rickety wooden bridge - not follow the elephants. Non ducor, duco (I am not led, I lead) might be an appropriate addendum to our school motto.

Martin Culkin
Principal



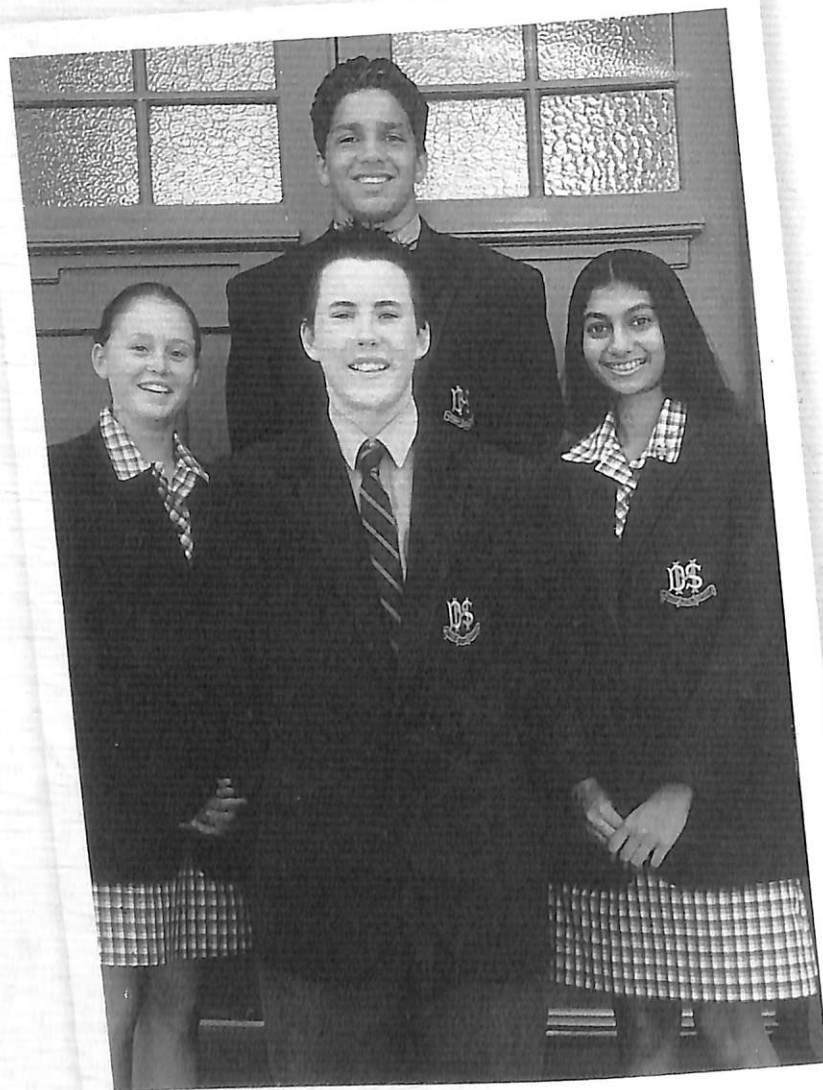
SCHOOL CAPTAINS' report

As the leaders of the school for the past year, both school captains and vice captains would both like express the sense of honour we feel in being chosen to lead the school in to the new millennium.

This year has been very valuable to us, as we have learnt many different leadership roles and organisational skills as representatives of the school. For us, being chosen as school captains of Dandenong High School is something that we will cherish forever and for this we thank you.

Dandenong High School has been the fulfilling provider of all our educational needs. In many cases it has also been the focus of many social events.

On behalf of all class of 2000 we would like to thank Dandenong High School for all their wonderful efforts. The friendship that has formed over the past six years will last for years to come. As our time here draws to a close, we look back on all the memories with pride and happy thoughts. We say farewell too Dandenong High School, a place that has played such a vital role in the development of our lives.



As we leave we take with us skills we have learnt that will help us with every day life and our careers. In doing so, we take with us the knowledge that Dandenong High is and will always be the greatest school.

School Captains: Jenifer Holmes and Sheldon Fredericks

Vice Captains: Leigh Callaghan and Nimna Rupasinghe

EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The first year of the new millennium has been a time of consolidation for the Association.

We continue to facilitate class and year-level reunions for groups that wish to remember and celebrate ten, twenty or thirty years after leaving "The Best School of All".

The Committee is dedicated to maintaining a close relationship with the school. We support the students by awarding two scholarships each year, and by sponsoring attendance at master classes and other musical experiences.

Our members attend special assemblies such as Awards Night and the commemoration of Anzac Day. We were particularly pleased to be instrumental in re-introducing badges for School

Captains and House Captains. Replicas of DHS badges awarded to students in the 1950s and 1960s were fashioned and presented to the school two years ago. Student office holders now proudly were them.

Our archive collection is continuing to grow. We are custodians of historical school photos, records, uniforms, building plans, books, banners and more. Regular sessions are held to catalogue and safely store this material.

We exist to support the school and to form a contact group for all students who leave the school. Do consider joining us.

Greta Jungwirth (de Vries)
PRESIDENT

STUDENT EXCHANGE

Hello,

My name is Els Landman and I'm an exchange student from The Netherlands.

I lived in the north of the Netherlands. Our state is called 'Friesland' and we have our own separate language.

I chose Australia because I have never been here before, the climate sounded good and people told me that Australian people are really friendly and that the country is beautiful.

I arrived July 8. First everything was really strange. Even just the normal things like the relaxed lifestyle was strange. It took some time to settle in and to like it here. Now I know some things which are normal here and that makes the situation better for me.

There are a lot of difference between The Netherlands and Australia. The school is very different. We can smoke at school but just in special places and we can wear what we want to wear (no uniform).

In a word, you can be who want to be in The Netherlands. The people are also different here, they are relaxed and more friendly. People are more egotistical and busy in The Netherlands.

The country itself is flat and clean almost everywhere and the weather is not like here. The summers are colder like 20/25 Celsius and sometimes 30 Celsius, This is when we get to go home. The winter is colder but not cold enough to

have snow or ice for the whole winter. Almost every year we have snow and ice. Most of the people ice skate then.

Everybody has a bike in The Netherlands. The distance is small enough for you to travel by bike. When you drive by car from north to the south it only takes 4 or 5 hours then you have seen our whole country.

These are the main differences between The Netherlands and Australia for me.

I hope to see more of the country, to do a lot of things with my friends during this year and that I have a year that I never want to forget.

Greetings from Els Landman.



CHAPLAIN'S report

During an Olympic year, the athletes are focused and have a purpose to achieve their goals. As Chaplain, I believe that every single person is born with a unique gift or gifts and that your journey in life is to discover that gift and learn to use it to impact others.

In the year 2000, I have observed many students who have achieved great things and I congratulate you; but some become 'comfortable' or are facing 'trying issues' in their lives that prevents them from trying to reach their potential. To those, I encourage you to invite change to occur.

For those of you who are Year 12 students, your purpose is to move into the next stage of your life. My hope is that in a few years time, you will find your purpose and run with it, and achieve your goal.

To all the students and staff thanks for a great year of discovery and to you all I say:-

"Heroes use their own lives to make a difference in society"

Ed Eadon



SOCIAL SERVICES

The generosity and good will of the students and staff of D.H.S. never ceases to amaze me. This year has been no different.

It is particularly with the encouragement of Form Teachers - who deserve special thanks - that we have once again raised in excess of \$6000.00.

We have donated money to over thirty charities in Dandenong, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia and overseas. Students have been involved in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, selling Red Noses for AIDS and we have continued our sponsorship of Rex Bodid and his family in the Phillipines. We have also continued our sponsorship of a Diamond Python at Melbourne Zoo.

At the final Year 12 Assembly, the Alice Daly Social Service Award was presented to 12F who raised \$281.15. When Connie St. Mart, the 12F Social Service

Representative accepted the award, she thanked Ms. Kamevaar for her enthusiasm and encouragement throughout the year.

In closing, I would like to thank Mrs. Melhart and Mrs. Obst who undertook the coordination of Social Service during the year when I was involved in other activities.

Due to other commitments, I will not be coordinating Social Service next year, but I'm sure that our students will continue to support this worthwhile community service.

Christine Elliott
Social Service Coordinator

DEBATING

This year marked Dandenong High School's third year in the Debating Association of Victoria's Schools Competition. There were 200 schools, 1100 teams and 8,000 debaters involved in what has become the biggest debating competition in the world. Our students debated against a number of schools in the Wesley region and won several of their debates as well as Best Speaker awards. They proudly represented the school and were very impressive at all grade levels.

Some of the inter-school debates were "secret topic" debates which meant that students would not be told the topic until exactly one hour before the start of the competition. They would then have to construct their case (without any parent, teacher or electronic aids) and deliver a speech of approximately eight minutes each.

This is not an easy feat but to witness the students in action, one would think they had spent hours preparing such informed and convincing cases.

We wish to congratulate and commend all the students in Years 7 - 12, approximately 50 students in total, who sacrificed a great deal of their own time to participate in the program. Countless hours were spent researching, constructing cases and presenting some powerful and very persuasive speeches.

Some of these students also participated in lunchtime debates against other students and staff as well. Their victory over teachers on the issue of genetically modified foods was a testament to their proficiency as public speakers and debaters. Congratulations to Tim Gough, Nimna Rupasinghe and Monica Jong for such a fine effort! A special mention must go to Mr Feher and Mr Hind for their much appreciated involvement

and Mrs Balfour who provided endless entertainment by dressing up as a genetically modified carrot!

On a more serious note, students also had the privilege of attending the National Debating Finals at Haileybury College and witnessed the New South Wales team win a decisive victory over the South Australian team. It was truly a world class performance given by both teams and students were given excellent models from which to learn.

The Dandenong High School Debater of the Year award was won by Nimna Rupasinghe of Year 12 and the following students also won Grade Level awards:

A Grade: Nimna Rupasinghe (Year 12)

B Grade: Mayank Shah (Year 10)

C Grade: Kimberlee Paul (Year 9)

D Grade: Jerome Martin (Year 8)

Thank-you and farewell to our exiting Year 12 debaters who will be sadly missed.

Nimna Rupasinghe Eileen Lay
Ellyn Pollard

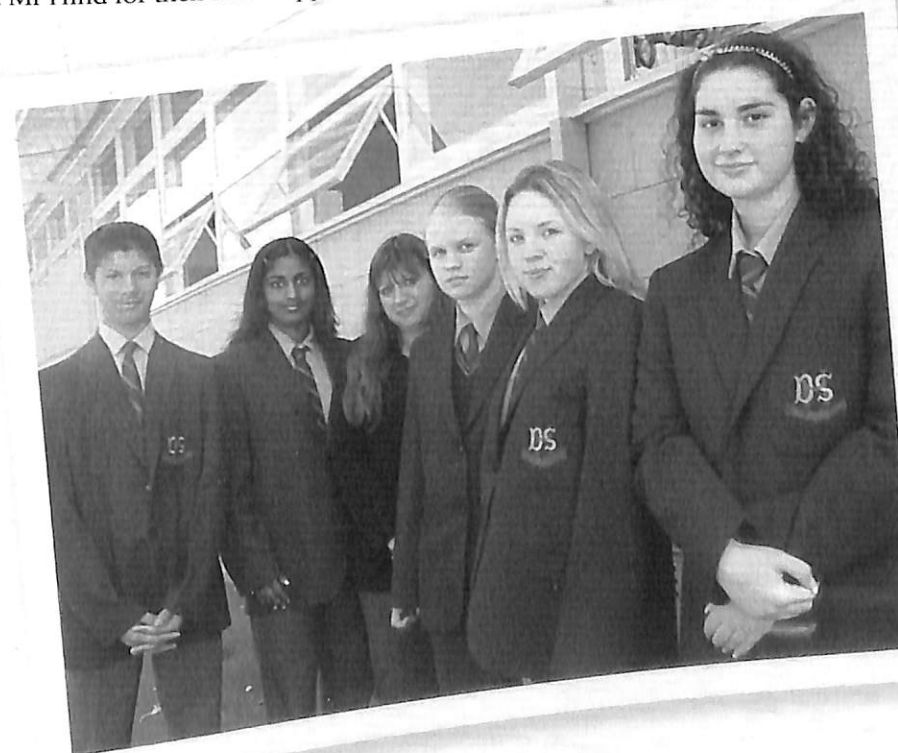
Monica Jong Tim Gough
Senthan Balachandran

Their contribution to the debating program has been greatly appreciated and they have been excellent role models for the younger students. We wish them every success for the future.

Finally, a huge thanks must go to Miss Poliakov and Mrs Moorhouse for their much valued assistance and support throughout the year. There have been other

staff actively involved in various capacities too so to those who have not been mentioned, a big thank you to you too!

Nina Saris



2000 TALENT CONTEST

The 2000 Talent Concert proved to be a major success, for the third year running. A lot of effort from a student committee and Mrs Poliakov made the evening enjoyable for everyone participating and watching.

The judges, Ms Kamevaar, Mr Edan and Mr Culkin had an extremely tough decision in choosing the places since the standard was so brilliant. There were eighteen acts in all that ranged from singing to dancing and musicians to acrobatics with teachers acts, ex-students and guest performances in between. The preparation put in by all the participants made it great to watch. We were entertained by Mrs Oliphant, Miss Jenkins, Ms Vouvopolous and Ms Skoufis who we barely recognised when they came on stage and sang and danced to a variety of songs. Mr Feher also proved to us why he never became a singer when he performed a solo for us.

There was an Honourable Mention given to Monica Bohata and Victoria Rendall for their song

and dance to Abba. Third place went to Rosa of year 7 for her beautiful singing, second place was taken by Lara La Leggria and Joy Manaka for their "Wild Wild West" dance and first place went to Heidi Norindr and Susan Robinson for their dance.

The Talent Concert will hopefully become a tradition in our school and is a fun night for everyone. The effort put in by everyone was evident and a great time was had by all.



INTERNATIONAL WEEK

This year, the year 2000, Dandenong High School celebrated their annual International Week between Monday 4th and Friday 8th of September. The two major events were the ESL luncheon, which took place on the Thursday, and the International Week concert, which took place on the Friday of that week.

Unlike previous years, the ESL luncheon was open only to the ESL students of years 7, 8, and 9, due to the large crowd that would result if older years were invited. Nevertheless, it was a huge success, with a significant number of cultures displaying their traditional dishes.

For all those involved, the final rehearsal for the concert seemed to be dominated by a general pandemonium. There was utter confusion, and it seemed that the whole event would turn out to be one huge catastrophe. Fortunately, the problems were resolved, and like the ESL

luncheon, the concert turned out to be a huge success! A vast range of cultures participated in displaying their traditions through the performing arts.

Some examples were –

- Chinese Lion Dancers
- Sri Lankan Dancers
- A play depicting the French Revolution
- An Australian "Thong Dance"

The concert was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The fact that this week turned out to be a success is due to the outstanding efforts by all who participated, and I, on behalf of the whole school thank them for the work they did. Special mentions need to be made to the hosts, Victoria Rendall, Stephanie Woodson, and Carmal Carlin-Smith.

The lighting and sound team headed by Mr Pegram, and Mrs Laughlin, who organized the event. We hope that with your help, as well as the help of others, we can make the 2001 concert just as enjoyable.

Ian Korac



CERAMICS

Through the work of students it is obvious that we have some quite creative and imaginative people amongst our school population.

Over the year our junior students have learnt how to use the basic handbuilding techniques used in clay construction work. Armed with this knowledge and the readiness to "get their hands dirty" they have made weird beast pots, containers of all shapes and sizes, masks both lovely and grotesque, decorative mural decorations and so on. Students were encouraged to think about design, then develop drawings that would be used as a basis for their clay work.

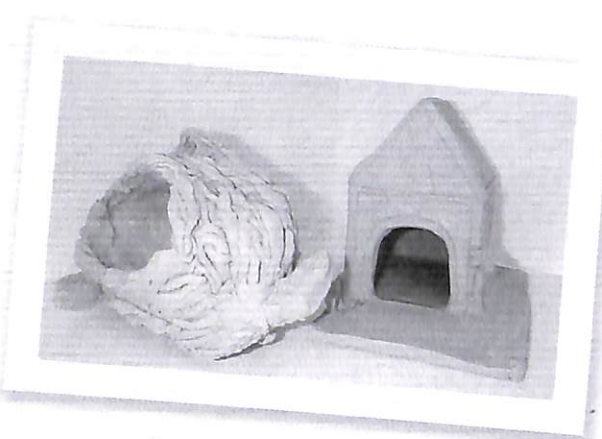
Some of our Year 9 students have enjoyed learning about the pottery wheel and have had a go at trying to use the wheel to make pots – it looks easier than it is to use; so they discovered. "Clean up your mess!!" Words most used by all pottery teachers!

This year we also had quite a large group of Year 10 students. At the start of the year they revised their knowledge about handbuilding techniques.

Then they were given "The Garden" as a theme. Our students had to construct pots as a specific topic that would suit this Garden theme.

The ideas they developed were imaginative, some clever and some of a fun nature. They have made some quite interesting Planters, birdhouse, Mask Wall murals, candleholders, etc.

Mrs A. Congdon



WOODWORK

In the year 2000 all the practical subjects throughout the school have enjoyed very good support from all students across the selection of electives on offer. Woodwork and Metalwork have been no exception either, with Woodwork running electives right through to year 12 and Metal having strong numbers at year 9 to carry over and run a class next year at the year 10 level.

Once again the year started with the regular influx of several hundred new students at year 7. Some of these students have the opportunity to carry on and further their knowledge of the practical areas from previous experiences at primary school, while the vast majority of students are introduced to these subjects for the very first time.

The regular models like the pencil box in woodwork and the silver plated key tag in

metalwork have proven very popular with both boys and girls in the junior levels. The Metalwork groups have had a greater choice of both models selection and types of materials to use this year, with many students designing and creating some fascinating photo frames and wall clocks from the composition of copper, acrylic, stainless steel and aluminium incorporated into their individual designs.

We have also seen a good selection of students' work on display throughout the school at various locations. This is a chance for all students in all levels to see their work on display for both their friends and even parents coming to various school functions to view their work and enjoy the success of participating in the practical subjects at Dandenong High School.

This is the final of Cats and work requirements at VCE, with many students happy to see the change to the new VCE format and the better spread of subject requirements throughout the semester rather than all at once on only two or three specific dates for the year. Students at years 11 & 12 have finished of the year with the completion of some good examples of work designed and made totally by the students themselves. This once again has demonstrated the high level of skills and commitment made by most students in their final year at Dandenong High School.

N. Grant Wood
Metalwork Co ordinator



BIOLOGY

As part of the year 11 Biology course students have been involved in a number of interesting and varied activities. These activities include field trips to the rocky shores of Flinders and the muddy mangrove swamps of Western Port Bay to investigate the varied ecosystems to be found in both areas. Mr Nink's class also ventured to the Temperate Rainforests of the Toolangi region. Both field trips were extremely successful, entertaining and rewarding for both students and teachers.

Mr Hoult's and Mr Nink's classes were also involved in a number of other activities including practicals and dissections in relation to the study of Functioning Organisms. These activities proved to be both enlightening and rewarding for the students who participated.



YOUTH LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE

This year saw the launch of the Youth Leadership Certificate program at Dandenong High School. This program, open to students in years 10 & 11, is designed to help students develop their leadership skills in the areas of management, communication, confidence and public speaking. The students are required to participate in at least 2 events where they hold a leadership role and to attend a 5 day camp at the Lord Somers campsite at the end of their school year.

The program has been met with outstanding success, with the students getting themselves involved in such events as student run school

assemblies, junior drama workshops, sporting competitions and information sessions. The students have also been given the opportunity to attend various youth forums as part of major festivals, such as Youth Week. In August the students were invited to Queen's Hall, Parliament House to have afternoon tea with Victoria's Members of Parliament and to present them with the outcomes of the Youth Week forum discussions.

It is exciting to see the students getting involved with the issues which directly affect them.



ART

Our Art students this year have once again proven that Dandenong High School has a huge range of talent from our junior to middle and senior school.

Our students have produced very exciting and creative work, ranging from paintings, printmaking, mixed media, drawings, sculptures.

Our new senior art studio has provided the perfect haven and working environment for our V.C.E. students to create and excel in their final years.

D.H.S. art students this year, have also exhibited their talents outside of the school by displaying their work at the formal opening for YOUTH WEEK and also for ARTS EXTRAVAGANZA week at Dandenong Plaza and Library. Our students also participated in the evening concert during this week.

Five of our Year 9 and 10 Art students were also responsible for creating the OLYMPIC BANNER.

Polin Sok of Year 10 was the designer of the banner and together with Weijia Liu, Cindy Li, Michelle Cafun, Debbie Li, To-Anh Huynh, worked through lunch hour to create the banner that represented our school and was proudly paraded on the morning the Olympic torch came through Dandenong.

Congratulations to all our students on a successful year and hope the creative ideas continue to flow for 2001.

Ms. Skoufis
Art Coordinator.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION The Wizard of Oz

The school production for the dawn of the millennium had to be a big one, so what other musical would we choose to perform than the magical, timeless classic, 'The Wizard Of Oz'?

At the beginning of February, a notice to all students interested was posted throughout the school, and auditions were held during that week.

The roles were cast with Chelsea Preston as the beautiful Dorothy, Greg Mack as the cowardly Lion, Ryan Martin as the 'unforgettable' Scarecrow, Danielle Carveth as the lovable Tinman, Michael Hawthorn as the humble Wizard, Carmel Carlin-Smith as the Wicked Witch and Lauren Riess as the magical Good Witch. A fabulous band, chorus and dance troupe made the production more successful and entertaining.

After months of hard work during weekly rehearsals, lunchtimes and production workshops which spanned for two whole days, the finished product went off with a BANG!

Two matinees were performed for a multitude of lucky local primary schools, the first, with great success that helped to quash the overwhelming amount of nerves. Things went without a hitch for the first matinees, and with the opening night being on Friday 26th May, many people came to see one of the best productions Dandenong High School has put on in years. We were lucky enough to have a



fabulous backstage crew who, through outstanding organization, made sure nothing could go wrong.

Saturday 27th also went on with brilliant performances all round, finished by a Bump Out and short, but entertaining After Party.

This production could not have been as vibrant and enjoyable without the help of all the wonderful teachers who helped us along the way.

By Lauren Riess & Victoria Rendall

TEXTILES

It's been a creative year for students in textiles.

Year 7 and 8 students have made a selection of small toys, bags, boxes and aprons using both hand and machine sewing. Some students excelled when presenting their studies on topics such as "Textile Fibres" or 'Traditional National Costumes'; posters and miniature models of clothing were bountiful.

Year 9 and 10 textile students have had a varied and productive year designing and making clothes for



themselves and for the school production, 'The Wizard of Oz'.

A visit to behind the scenes of the Melbourne Theatre Company in the costume and set, design and production department inspired many year ten students to design outfits for the Munchkins and a combined effort of year ten students and a small group of year nine students, who worked endlessly in term one, produced bright and beautiful outfits. These Creative Wiz Kids deserve a big Thank-You for their support of the school musical.

This year we were lucky to be able to use new computer programs, Corel Draw and Garment Fragments so students could illustrate and present their design ideas about clothing. Many students were able, not only to design clothing but actually follow through with their ideas and produce the finished garment.

There is a great interest and support for the new Design and Technology, Textiles V.C.E. course next year and it looks like it will be running.

Ms S O'Shea Textiles Teacher
Ms V. Jackson Textiles Coordinator

HOME ECONOMICS

It has been with great interest that the Home Economics staff having been working through changes brought in over the years in regards to teaching Home Eco.

Years ago, Domestic Science was very much into teaching meal preparation for the family, washing & ironing techniques and catering for the husbands work functions. Home Economics saw the introduction of nutrition and health issues relating to foods and menu planning.

Food Technology now allows students to plan, design, investigate, produce and evaluate food productions and nutrition themes. The Food Technology course at D.H.S. is certainly a far cry from the 1960's where Lemon Sago was a great achievement! Students are taking a key role in their learning, and are achieving some excellent results in a practical based area. The foods students of 2000 have shown off their talents once again in catering for functions, sell outs, the breakfast cook off, staff catering and in general food productions. Hopefully this enthusiasm will continue next year, when the new CSF and VCE Food Technology studies are running.

Mrs. C. Oliphant
Home Economics Coordinator



DRAMA

With classes running from years 9 to 12, the Drama department has participated in a vast number of performances both in and out of the classroom this year. Earlier in the year the year 11 class wrote and performed in the Melbourne International Comedy Festival in a section called Class Clowns, where the group who called themselves The Shakespeares received special commendation in the finals at the Melbourne Town hall. We have also had students participating in events such as the Dandenong Arts Extravaganza, and the Monash Schools Drama Festival. It is terrific to see our students out there sharing the stage with the professional theatre world.

Many of the Drama students were also heavily involved in this year's DHS production of The Wizard of Oz, both on stage and in the ever important behind the scene crews.



MUSIC! MUSIC! MUSIC!

The year 2000 has been a very busy year in the Music Department. Our Year 7 students enjoyed a performance by Drumbeat who performed on many and varied percussion instruments, Year 8 students could be heard performing their Pentatonic Arrangements which were composed by each group and Year 9 students presented practical assignments every term. At the senior level, the VET Music Industry Skills class doubled to 26 students

from many different schools in the south east cluster. They produced a music video and CD of original and cover songs as well as completing modules in lighting, copyright and PA systems. The VCE Music Performance students worked towards improving themselves as performers which culminated in an evening concert attended by many parents and friends. Year 7 students new to the Instrumental Music Program also staged a concert late in the year to showcase their newly acquired talents.

The School Band had numerous appearances - International Week, House Choral Night, local primary schools, the Wizard Of Oz Production Band, Grandview Nursing Home - but none of these compared to the privilege of being asked to perform at the Visy Cares Centre in Dandenong for Sportsperson of the Century, Mohammad Ali. The band were also invited into the press conference and were photographed with the great man. Congratulations to all that worked so hard.

The Vocal Group and School Choir performed at events such as the Legacy Thanksgiving Service, International Week, House Chorals and Singfest. DHS hosted this event for schools in the Southern Region which was attended by schools as far away as Melbourne High and Dromana Secondary College. Mark Puddy from the Australian Girls' Choir and Ms Vrisk conducted choirs which performed to an enthusiastic audience at the end of the final day.

Ms. K. Vrisk
Music Co-ordinator



ENGLISH

Our traditional English Week was held in the third week of Term Three, July 24th to July 28th and was celebrated with lunchtime debates and junior and senior writing competitions. The first staff student debate, ably adjudicated by Mr. Culkin, saw a convincing win by the senior, A grade school debaters, Monica, Tim and Nimna who were in favour of genetic modification of foods. It was quite clear, however, why Mr Feher, Mr Hind and Mrs Balfour were opposed to such genetic engineering. Mrs Balfour had mysteriously turned into a carrot overnight and Mr. Hind had developed a very nasty looking alteration to... well actually, all of him. Nevertheless, their ability to speak and entertain us was not impaired. As for Mr. Feher, it would take more than genetically modified food to stop him talking!

Our congratulations go to all students who entered the writing competitions, both in the short-story and poetry sections. Selecting finalists and winners was a most difficult task due both to the number and quality of entries.

Singithi Silva won the senior poetry award. Rukshan Fernando was the junior poetry winner. Sylwia Kolczynski was the senior winner in the short story section with Shannon Brown taking out the junior honours.

LOTE

While senior Latin classes have been grappling with the delights of Roman love poetry, battling with Caesar in Britain and facing barbarians as did Russel Crowe in "Gladiator". Junior classes have been constructing wax tablets, creating posters for gladiatorial events and analyzing houses in Pompeii.

Year 9 students were taken on a guided tour of Alexandria under Antony and Cleopatra as they waded through the muddy, crocodile-infested waters of Roman Egypt.

Japanese assistant Mezue Yamada spent the first half of the year team teaching and conversing with our Years 7 to 10 students.

Year 8 students went to Japan Seminar House to see a typical Japanese house and to take part in various activities including calligraphy. Nathan Harder and Travis Harris of Year 9 were prizewinners at the Monash University Japanese day.

Bastille Day, baguettes and boules have figured large in the lives of our French students.

I would like to acknowledge the success of students in outside school competitions this year. Jodie Deutrom won \$500 for herself and \$1000 for the school, for her letter in the Australia Post competition, explaining her dream for her future. Lauren Reiss was invited to the Writers' Festival as a finalist to read her writing in the Endeavour Competition. Ian Korac and Michelle Corera both excelled in public speaking in the Rostrum and Legacy public speaking competitions. Both Ian and Michelle won their elimination rounds, and were narrowly beaten in finals with Michelle coming runner-up in her Junior Legacy Competition.

But there is a lot of success in English classes through four terms of hard work by so many of our students, the quiet achievers, who are not publicly recognised. It is the excellence of your work and efforts that makes your teachers' work worthwhile.

We wish our VCE students success in your final examinations. The new VCE with its SATS and SACS has been a challenge for all of us this year, and a special thanks goes to Mrs Rowlands for coordinating the revised Year 12 requirements. We wish you all a relaxing holiday and happiness in your future lives.



Thanks to the library staff, students and teachers were able to walk under a splendid Arc de Triomphe on their way through the Library and were greeted by a fine display of all things French. Students made their own crepes and French crepe maker Robert Garrie set mouths watering and wallets wagging before Bastille Day.

On their own initiative, Year 10 students performed a play, Du Pain, Du Pain, for the International Week Concert and carried it off with great flair.

Indonesian students took part in a wide range of activities whilst learning about the Indonesian environment, culture, administration and everyday life. They watched the Ramayana, (ancient legends of Java), during the Indonesian National Day celebrations on August 17.

Students are also looking forward to cooking Indonesian rice, Nasi Goreng and a range of satays this term.

Madame Buttie

HISTORY

The start of the Millennium has been memorable for the History Faculty at Dandenong High School. It was with great pleasure that the initial Oldmeadow Australian History Award was presented in memory of Pam, Ian, Graeme, Russell and Max Oldmeadow. A few months later Max Oldmeadow donated some in valuable History books to the Griffiths Library, and these volumes will have an honoured place on the shelves of the Library for decades to come! The Oldmeadow Family will long be remembered with affection and respect by the whole Dandenong High community.

In August there was a marvellous History Week! Mrs Brito and Mrs Rowlands showed their customary zest and enthusiasm by providing their classes with Egyptian feasts. A good time was had by all!

The whole school was excited by a tremendous exhibit in the Griffiths Library provided by the generous Mr. Col Robinson on the 1956 Olympics. So many students learned a great amount from this display which put Sydney in an historic context.

We were thrilled when Nicholas Conway, Felicity Peroni and Michael Freeman were chosen to escort the 2000 Sydney O Olympics torch. This was an honour which shall never be forgotten by this generation.

So much has gone on. Mrs Hayes and Mr Hind went to exceptional trouble to take their students to see 'The Patriot'. Those devoted teachers Mrs Marini, Ms Mantzaris and Mr Ginniff took a class overnight to Sovereign Hill.



Thanks to the inspiring teaching of Mr Rod Ginniff and Mr Rod Hind there will be two classes of International Studies at Year Twelve next year. Well done to all our diligent students and teachers!

Right from the word go, the year has been one of ceaseless activity day in and day out.

CAREERS

Another busy year in careers and vocational education. The regular timetabled careers sessions for Year 12 students are again proving to be a valuable asset for our students as the amount of information received from tertiary institutions is increasing. Understanding course selection processes and pathways to careers is a very important aspect to any student's goal. As far as vocational education is concerned we had 109 students participate in VET programs in 2000, ranging from Office Administration, Multimedia, Music Industry Skills, Child care, Community Services, Electronics, Hospitality and Retail being very popular. These programs provide further options for students in Years 11 and 12, and increase their chances for further employment.



MATHS

Life is one big cycle! September last year we were waiting to hear if Bercu Erdem and Warren Wu were successful applicants to the National and State Mathematics Summer Camps, respectively; both were and reported that they had a fabulous time.

Presently we are waiting to learn if Luda Wang and Jack Gao will attend the National Mathematics Summer Camp in Canberra. It is more than likely that Luda Wang, Jack Gao, Peter Kulushikuof, Hieu Huynh and Michael Sheeran will attend the State Mathematics Summer Camp at Somers.

At this time last year we learnt of our many successful students in the Australian Mathematics Competition. I have just received this year's results and, again, they are extremely pleasing and encouraging. Well done to all participants in particular to those who received awards. There are too many award winners to name them all here, so I will first give a summary of the results and then name the top student at each level.

Year	Prizes	High Dist.	Dist.	Credits	Total
7	1	0	11	13	25
8	1	1	14	59	75
9	0	0	5	13	18
10	0	3	4	22	22
11	0	1	1	15	15
12	0	1	5	7	7

That is, 162 students received awards. The top student at each level is:

Year	Student
7	Jack Li
8	Harry Li
9	Gabor Kiss
10	Hua Feng
11	Jack Gao
12	Warren Wu

Well done and thanks to the teachers for their part in these fine achievements. We now wait again for the cycle to repeat itself.

Ken Sampson
Mathematics Coordinator

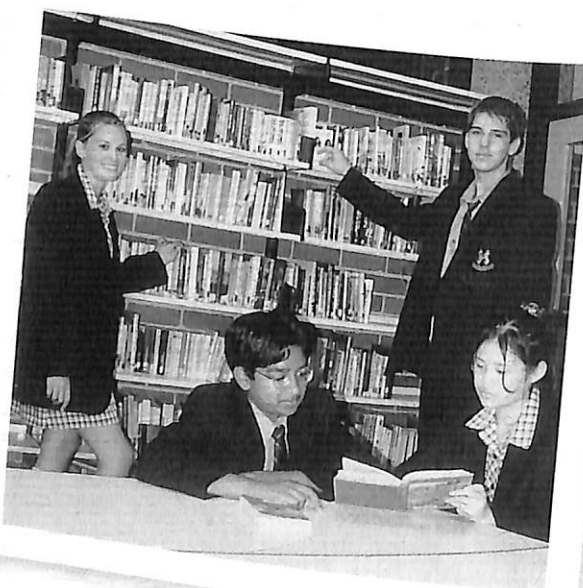
LITERACY WEEK

"Literacy Across the Curriculum" was the theme of Literacy Week celebrated at D.H.S. from 28 August to 1 September.

There were several competitions and activities organised during the week. Congratulations to the winners: Angela Allen (Year 11A), Carmen Williams (Year 11I), Mr B. Rollason and Emil Sido (Year 7B). Two guest speakers from the Noble Park Language School were invited to address Staff on Literacy/ESL issues; bookmarks were distributed to students throughout the school and all were encouraged to attend the "Let's Read Expo" at the Exhibition Centre in the city.

Thanks to all staff and students for their support, with particular thanks to Miss Poliakow for her commitment to literacy throughout the year.

Premila Brito
Literacy Coordinator



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Some highlights in the Physical Education and Sport area for the year 2000 have included;

- Michael Freeman, Nick Conway and Felicity Peroni being nominated and being selected to escort the Olympic torch,
- Bethany Mitchard receiving the school's nomination for the Pierre de Coubertin award,
- Dandenong High's Crazy Olympics.

I was delighted that Michael Freeman, Year 9, Nick Conway, Year 11, and Felicity Peroni, Year 11, after being nominated by D.H.S. were selected as escort runners for the Olympic torch relay. Michael, unlike Nick and Felicity who ran through the Dandenong area, ran through the Grampians in country Victoria. All students represented our school and their local communities with pride. My congratulations go to each of these fine young students. It was an experience that will surely last a lifetime. Well done.

Bethany Mitchard also deserves our congratulations. She received the school's nomination for the Pierre de Coubertin award. This award is presented to one student each year for displaying an outstanding sporting ethos, in line with the ideals of the Olympics. Bethany has displayed sound leadership, and sportsmanship skills. Well done on your achievement.

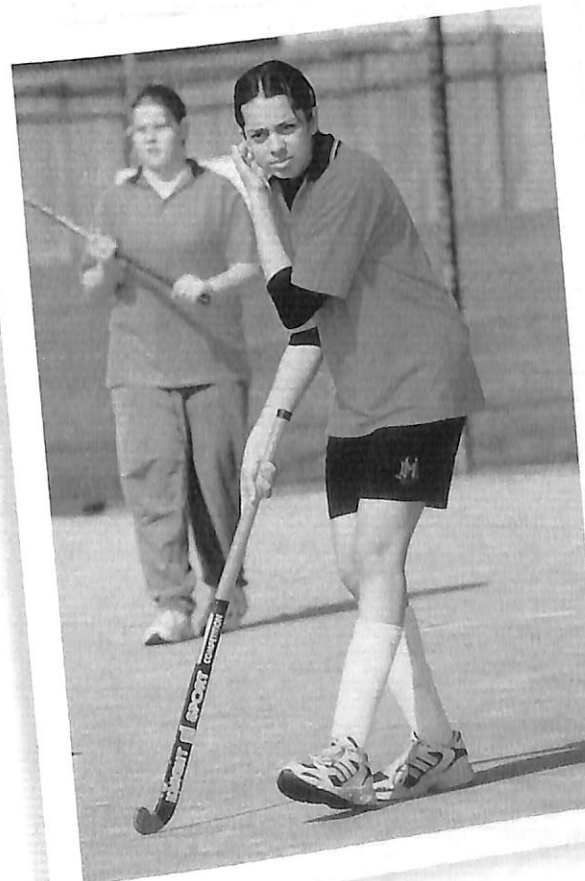
In the year 2000, Sydney saw the Olympics. Sydney, however, did not have the opportunity to see or participate in the D.H.S Crazy Olympics. During the last week of Term 3 all students in Years 7 and 8, and some in Year 9, took part in a series of fun and enjoyable activities. These included

- Human pyramid building
- Soccer and basketball shooting contests
- Balance, duck and dodge
- Balance and wack!

And finally the two top teams were represented by a male and female and competed in the Eliminator.

All students had a fun time. Well done to everyone for displaying good team spirit and having an equally good sense of humour.

W. Haworth
Physical Education Co-ordinator



COMPUTERS

The school has continued to improve the information processing facilities available to staff and students.

A new technician, Mr Milorad Iovic has been employed by the school since the start of 2000 and has lent his expertise to the development of the school systems. Our original technician, Mr Shane Moffitt, left DHS during the year for work in private enterprise.

The computer network has undergone major upgrade this year with many new application programs such as the Word 2000, Excel 2000, Access 2000, etc. as well as research tools such as Encarta 2000 and others.

Internet (Educache) access for students has been improved from last year.

Other subject specific software such as Quicken, FashionCad and a number of LOTE programs have been added.

New computer areas have been added to rooms C12 (Visual Communication), A39 (Geography) and G4 (Music). Some improvements have been made in the Careers room.

This year, over 30 staff have begun leasing notebook computers, bringing the total number of staff currently involved in this initiative to over 75. The school is looking closely at the use of radio links for connecting these computers to the school network.

MEDIA

It is indeed a pleasure to again report that students in our Media Faculty have worked diligently and creatively to fulfil their curriculum requirements and also record and report on the many activities that have occurred throughout the busy Dandenong High School calendar year. The new editing equipment purchased at the end of last year has been in constant use, particularly by our V.C.E. students, but also by students in the middle school. We hope to increase our equipment base again next year allowing many more students to work in their preferred medium.

Throughout the year, students have produced newspapers, animated videos, narrative film work and both black and white and digital photographs. We are very proud of all our students work and indeed, several pieces have been successfully exhibited at both the Dandenong and Pakenham Shows where individual students were rewarded with first, second or third prizes in several categories.

Students at Year 11 combined both theory and practice by touring the Open Channel Film and Video premises in Fitzroy and visited the Melbourne studio's of Channel 9 to view the filming of two episodes of 'Sale of the Century'.

The school believes in the need for the Library to become more effective in the management of information services. The recent refurbishment of the Library has resulted in major upgrades to its computer facilities, with 26 new computers available for student usage in a modern network environment.

The school has embraced a new computerized reporting package this year across all levels 7 - 12.

Further work is currently being undertaken in the area of print charging software operation, Internet policy updating, school web page facilitation and Intranet development.

W. Turner



We have been particularly pleased that ten of our talented Year 11 and 12 student's work made the finals in the prestigious Digieses competition held in September. It was wonderful to see our student's work held in such high esteem by media industry leaders and we congratulate those students and wish them success as they pursue their careers in the media industry.

Our Middle School students have also performed well, recording many school events and improving their skills in preparation for entrance into their VCE. It is wonderful to observe the enthusiasm demonstrated by our Middle School students and we look forward to charting their progress into VCE.

Anne Kennedy / Yvonne Ellins
Media Faculty.

SKI CAMP

Once again, the annual Dandenong High School 'Ski Camp' took off with a good start. With all 45 of the teachers and students intending to make the week a great one, we left the streets of Dandenong at one o'clock as planned.

With a five-hour drive up to Bright behind us, we were issued our cabins and made our way to our 'self contained' units, our 'home away from home' for the week.

Dinner was served promptly at 6:30 every night and was always a great ending to the day. With delicious three course meals, the team at the Coach House Inn had outdone themselves. After dinner there was the group activities for the night, these were run by either the two student teachers, who graciously gave up their time for the week to hang out with us, Sir Trevor and Miss Brooke, or the four Year Elevens that accompanied us along the for the ride.

Every morning we were awoken by the harsh knocking of one of the teachers at 6:15 and had to be dressed and ready for the long bus trip up to Falls Creek.

Once there we had an hour and a half of skiing or snowboarding lessons with qualified instructors,

and then made our way down the cold chair lifts to lunch, served by our lovable bus driver, Tim. Lunch was a hot BBQ and drinks, which quickly quenched our thirsts and satisfied our hungers before we were to hit the slopes for one last time for the day.

After another hour and a half on the bus trip back down the mountain, we were back at the Inn again and were greeted once again by the smiling faces of our hosts, Kaye and Bruce.

All in all, the trip was a fabulous experience, even though the weather was at times a bit hairy, with the snow and rain greeting us with each new day. We still enjoyed the fun times we had, the new people we met and the new skills we learnt; even if some of us only managed to get the hang on staying up on the snowboard on the second last day!

We would like to thank all those involved and those who helped make this possible: Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Gow and Mr. Bond, as well as the Year Eleven students who looked after us off the slopes. Hope next years camp is just as great!!

Lauren Riess



SPORT 2000

This year, Dandenong High School students have participated in various summer and winter team and individual sports, gymnastics, cross country running, athletics and swimming sports. Our students at various levels have experienced a great deal of success and enjoyment and an abundance of hard work and energy has been expended by staff and students alike.

HOUSE SWIMMING AND ATHLETIC CARNIVALS

Both of these carnivals were held in Term One and we were fortunate to enjoy fine weather conditions for both days. The main aim of these carnivals is to have as many students as possible in each House participating in events, having fun and earning points in an attempt to be the champion House at the end of the day. The House Swimming Carnival was held at Noble Park Swimming Pool and in a spirited and enthusiastic days competition, Bluegum was the victorious House at the end of the day. One of the main attractions of the day was the water polo competition held in the learner's pool. Although this event was originally intended to involve our non-swimmers, it quickly stole the limelight from the races in the main pool! The House Athletics Carnival was held at Ross Reserve.



DISTRICT & ZONE SWIMMING, ATHLETICS & CROSS COUNTRY

Students who performed well at our House Carnivals are then chosen to represent our school in competition against local schools at the Dandenong District Carnivals. From our squad of 80 swimmers who competed at the District level, the following students were successful in advancing to the Southern Zone Swimming Finals:

Jane Stevenson, Joanne Vlahovich, Janette Vlahovich, Sarah Salter, Kimberlee Paul, Matthew Harris and Joshua Serdzeff (diving).

Jane Stevenson then advanced to the State Swimming Championships where she competed in the under 14 girls 50 metres freestyle event. Jane swam a personal best time of 30.99 seconds and is congratulated on her fine achievement in swimming.

A squad of 90 students competed in the District Cross Country at Monash University with 20 of these students successful in advancing to Southern Zone Cross Country held at Lardner Park near Warragul. All of these students performed admirably in tough conditions, and ultimately Jason Nayna was successful in advancing to the State Cross Country Championships where he placed 47th in a strong field of over 100 runners. Congratulations to Jason on his wonderful effort.

A very talented and strong team of 120 DHS students competed in the District Athletics Carnival held at the Knox Athletics Track. This year, DHS made great progress, placing second overall to arch rivals Lyndale Secondary College. With more of our senior students participating, ensuring all events are filled and with some training for our relay teams, there is every indication that we could move Lyndale aside from their habitual first placing in District Athletics.

RESULTS OF 2000 HOUSE CARNIVALS

	SWIMMING	ATHLETICS	CROSS-COUNTRY
1st place	Bluegum	Bluegum	Orchid
2nd place	Wattle	Wattle	Clematis
3rd place	Orchid	Clematis	Wattle
4th place	Clematis	Orchid	Bluegum

Medallions were awarded to the following age group champions in swimming & athletics:

	SWIMMING	ATHLETICS
Junior	Travis Hall Daniel Migliaccio Jane Stevenson	Krit Barnett Jane Stevenson
Intermediate	Travis Harris Kimberlee Paul	Jason Nayna Singithi Silva
Senior	Hayden Fredericks Natalie DeZylva	Hayden Fredericks Michelle Cafun

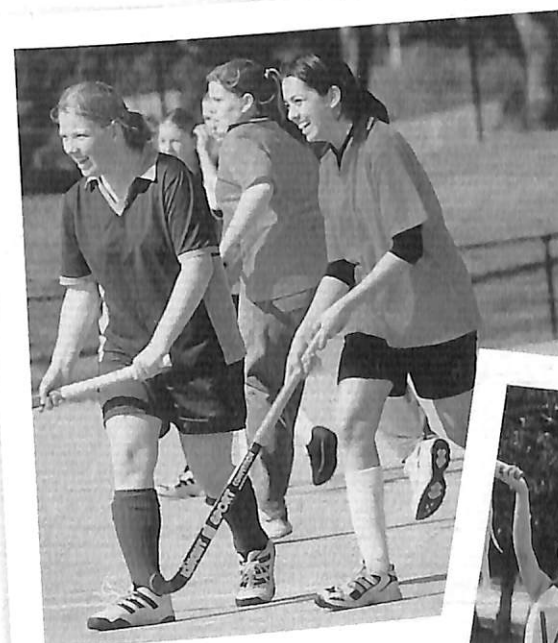
SPORT 2000

INTERSCHOOL TEAM & INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

Various team sports were held in Terms One to Three with hundreds of our students across Years 7-12 competing for DHS against other schools in the Dandenong Sports District. We enjoyed a very successful year with our teams bringing home numerous district flags and then advancing to Preliminary Finals, Southern Zone Finals and for some, ultimately VSSSA State Championships.

Congratulations to the following teams on their major achievement of competing in State Championships:

Senior Girls Tennis	Intermediate Boys Netball
Nimna Rupasinghe	Kieran Thomas
Beth Mitchard	Rubin Xie
Kym Mitchard	Kris Darby
Bianca Coviello	Chris Williams
Kristel Stewart	Jason Nayna
	Tayfun Sumer
	Danny Kennaugh
	Huan Nguyen
	Travis Harris



The following teams were successful in reaching Southern Zone Finals in the year 2000:

Intermediate Girls Cricket
Intermediate Girls Volleyball
Year 7 Boys Volleyball
Year 8 Girls Volleyball
Senior Boys Volleyball
Senior Girls Tennis
Intermediate Boys Tennis
Year 8 Boys Tennis
Year 7 Boys Badminton
Intermediate Boys Badminton
Intermediate Girls Badminton
Intermediate Boys Netball
Golf - Luke Bayley

In closing, I would like to thank all DHS staff members who "adopted" a sports team and willingly gave their valuable time and energy to coach our students. Thank you also to those who supported the DHS sport program in a positive manner by lending support and encouraging our student's involvement. A special mention of thanks to the many senior students who gave their time and assisted with scoring, umpiring, "team managing" and coaching our junior teams. With continued enthusiasm and participation from both staff and students, it is evident that DHS can continue to build upon its achievements and successes in the sporting arena.

Mrs Sue Ewin (Sport Co-ordinator)

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Year 7

The year began with the excitement of new friends, new subjects and new teachers. The initial excitement soon turned to confusion when faced with the prospect of different buildings, a ten day timetable, lockers, combination locks and, perhaps worst of all, the canteen queues. With these experiences behind them, everyone has survived and will never again be known as the "little Year Sevens". That job has now been passed on to the newcomers of 2001.

It has been an extremely busy year for everyone in Year Seven. The year level has excelled in many aspects of the school life. Large numbers of students have participated in swimming, athletics, cross-country and inter-school sports. Many teams were successful in the zone level and continued on to compete in the southern zone. Outside the sporting arena many students participated, and did themselves proud, in 'The Wizard of Oz' production, choral work and public speaking.

The semester reports indicate a high level of achievement and endeavour in the classroom right across the year level. The system of Year Seven awards has proved very successful, with a fortnightly winner and a "student of the month" from each form group. We hope the Year Sevens of 2000 continue to be as happy and successful in the rest of your time at DHS, as you have been this year.

*Mrs J Rollason & Mrs S Dowman
Year 7 Coordinators*



Year 8

The Year 8's began this year with enthusiasm and some anticipation, as they were about to embark on their second year at Dandenong High School. After a few weeks they settled in to their new classes and their new role in the school.

It was pleasing to see the Year 8 students involved in many extra-curricula activities throughout the year. Inter-house and inter-school sports were well represented, as well as school sporting teams. Students had great fun competing in their teams and showed a strong commitment and pride in them selves and in the school.

Our Year 8 students participated in Maths, English and History Weeks, as well as in the fun-filled International Week and the Talent Contest. It was great to see teachers and students entertaining us - we have some 'budding' performers in the school. Students have performed in the school production "The Wizard of Oz" and music performances, such as House Chorals.

The introduction of the Year 8 Awards has been a success and the students have enjoyed being recognised for their efforts and achievements in the classroom and in day to day school activities. The prospect of receiving a small award each fortnight has proved to be great motivation for hard work and positive behaviour. We congratulate all Year 8's on their efforts throughout the year.

Throughout this year we have watched our students develop in their education and learning, but also develop socially. We have watched as they have matured throughout the year and we are sure that they are ready to move on to the Middle School in the year 2001.

We thank all the parents for their support throughout the year and we thank the Year 8 students for a very happy and successful year.

We wish them every success and good luck for the year ahead in Year 9.

Ms K. Mason and Mr J. Lawton.

PROSE & POETRY

Be True

Will they like it?
A question that tore me bit by bit
Will they approve?
A thought that shaped my every move
Will they accept?
The one deciding concept
Till the day I really thought
About the self battles that I daily fought.
Was it worth it?
Should I change my very self,
To be placed on their "friendship" shelf?
All these questions were found
The day I really looked around
For what was always crying out 'Free',
And discovered it was
Only my true self pleading for liberty.....

By Singithi Silva 11G

A Sonnet: Suicide

Was I bewitched so by the thin red line
To notice not that time released its hold
And let pale Iris snip the silver twine
To steal sweet youth before it turned to gold.
Existence now is not what I was told:
No seraphim and harps to grace my ear,
Just silence, painful silence, and the cold
Discomfort of my masochistic fear,
So icy cold, yet somehow seems to sear
My soul until the ache's too much to bear,
As mortal life mirages now appear,
Intangible are they; away they tear.
Mistake it was; the curtain fell too soon
When razor's edge did charm me like the moon.

Rukshan Fernando 9C.

A Plea for Understanding.

I was sent to outer space
To find another human race.
Now I'm out here all alone
A million miles away from home.
Searching through the galaxy
All the stars in front of
MeNow I'm out here
all alone A million miles
away from home.

Christopher Hohmann 9C.

The Jungle

The Jungle is far, mysterious and great,
Full of life far from any place.
No sound from people, cars or trains
Only animal sounds echoing through the plains.
Lions roaring, birds flying and fish diving
These are the ways of the animals playing.
But when hunger strikes the hunting begins
Some may win but some do die.
Soon as the hunting is over
Bones and flesh are scattered all over
Darkness takes over. Now it is night
Wolves are howling, calling their friends
To hunt down the sleeping and eat their prey
Then the sun rises. Now it is another day
Animals wake up to see the day
Then the jungle starts again.

Richard Sortino 8D



YEAR 7



YEAR 8



ROW 4: Fel Huang, Dalja Bakaj, Meana Babak, Sonia Gawarad, Joshua Taylor.
ROW 3: Gil Lo, Mary-An Du, Tumbau Molae, Irena Subara, Demi Papazoglou, Semra Tatrovski, John Desengano.
ROW 2: Edward Ginger, Anna Dong, Tuan Nguyen, Lisa Jong, Ravi Emdadwage, Carmon Leung, Gajan Ravindiran.
FRONT: Mahar Supribadi, Lyn Wu, Taisa Hanin, Sonia Gao, Nona Baranov, Merisa Ameti, Charin Mondis.

YEAR: 8B TEACHER: MR M. COW



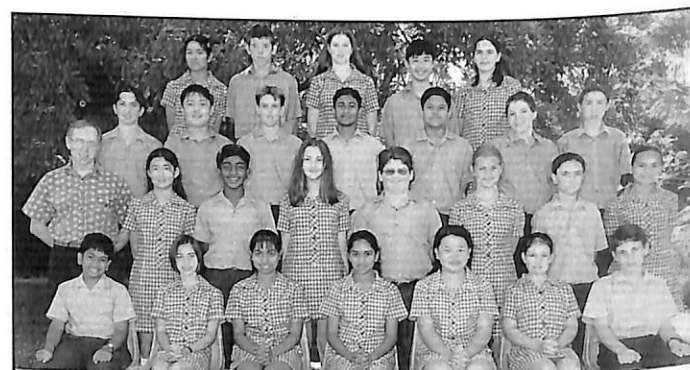
ROW 4: Julian Costea, Darko Jurak, Josh Iopu, Rhys Fegan, Alex Sabau.
ROW 3: Clarissa Guzman, Dado Delic, Renee Tawhai, Chris Gunderney, Lorraine Vea, Richard Sortino.
ROW 2: Imelda Tohim, Anna Pudovkin, Nhung Nguyen, Renee Cormick, Alison Kenny, Veronica Vasilovic, Adrian Gautray.
FRONT: Brett Playford, Dilanka Peiris, Branko Sotirovski, Huyen Chau, Budi Moriz, Katherine Gallardo, Imliaz Ali.

YEAR: 8D TEACHER: MR ANDY MAIR



ROW 3: Raziq Refra, Danielle Aziz, Bemir Saracevic, Gordan Mridic, Anisa Li, Nasir Samadi, Erhan Abduraman, Polan Erdem, Milin Rupasinghe.
ROW 2: Melissa Faithfull, Etem Alievski, Alexandra Negru, Ian Collier, Danielle Scouter, Bilal Suleman, Jennifer Jong.
FRONT: Adem Agushi, Sirin Gezer, Monika Tamas, Karina Zambrans, Carmen Avram, Pirathepa Kallasanathan, Daniel Migliaccio.

YEAR: 8A TEACHER: MISS A. NONIS



ROW 4: Claire Shieran, Stephen Hunt, Natalie Popowycz, Winston Yee, Danijela Draskovic.
ROW 3: Kon Greig, Harry Li, Matthew Knight, Madhawa Fernando, Jerome Martin, Brendan Morrissey, Matthew Mack.
ROW 2: Anita Wang, Suran Wickramasekhar, Megan Leslie, Matthew Edwards, Dominika Malinowski, Daniel Micut, Maryanne Hutchinson.
FRONT: Senthuren Mahendren, Ana Krndija, Shamini Mangalasinghe, Soumya Guruprasad, Pei-Pei Xia, Emilee South, Adam Mammon.

YEAR: 8C TEACHER: MR O. WELLS



ROW 4: Teofil Grunzu, Ramona Lazar, Michael McNeilly, Lisa-Maria Blejusa, Silvan Lucaci.
ROW 3: Krit Barnett, Matea Klasan, Cassie Collop, Xuan Dang, Jessica Pershin, Georgie Kiprili, Justin Emmett.
ROW 2: Kefford Denton, Tammy Davis, Alexandra Szabo-Pop, Stojanka Andric, Soula Isodlou, Daniela Samalla, Dean McDonald.
FRONT: Thomas Donaldson, Dragana Karac, Chatura Ruparathna, Georgia Borovac, Lindurim Falk, Tamara Stakic, Rajjusan Parameswaran.

YEAR: 8E TEACHER: DR. D. HENSHAW



ROW 3: Nihada Aldobasic, Mubin Rahimi, Christopher Jolliffe, Mirza Eminagic, Sasha Traklovc, Antonio Vecchio, Marko Simjanovski, Simon Brown, Ivan Josipovic, Jessica Traynor.
ROW 2: Fei Fei Ma, Darius Raducu, Sonja Trifunovic, Viraj Manickam, Luba Cui, Ben Cao, Rosanna Murgana.
FRONT: Alexandra Rus, Simone Korman, Nerime Luman, Radmila Visic, Amy Peroni, Dinendra Jayasinghe, Anna Voronov.

YEAR: 8A TEACHER: MS K. VRISK



ROW 4: Walid Tanawal, Andrija Majharis, Tolgay Zor, Marek Wiecekowsky, Nik Borkovic, Vy Thou.
ROW 3: Garvith Mullen, Adrian Simule, Rachid Soukane, Katoni Hatoka, Feim Tatrovski.
ROW 2: Kristina Kovacs, Reduan Zain, Chao Zhang, Igor Jovanovic, Colleen Ottaway, Brendan James, Dojana Mavrenski.
FRONT: Torpelai Taniwal, Ertifi Teokhas, Canterbury Tep, Lukas Wierucki, Blanka Karac, Ana-Maria Muresian, Anh Hang.

YEAR: 8F TEACHER: MRS FATMA SAKR



ROW 4: Andrew Bolitho, Andrew Kurjan, Emir Jaha, John Pop, Jim Han, Wen Chao Li.
ROW 3: Daniela Vanovac, Tijana Stjepanovic, Jovana Dakic, Jovana Ivanovic, Branka Djordjic.
ROW 2: Chann Makara, Saba Aschna, Farzanah Fazi, Nancy Raydan, Amanda Abdula, Jovana Cvetkovic, Dan Qing Chen.
FRONT: Alex Jong, Evan De Zylva, Anthony Villani, Lucian Magda, Daren Vukmircic, Andrew Korman, Danny Augustinovic.

YEAR: 8G TEACHER: MR KEVIN CARROLL

ATHLETICS



MIDDLE SCHOOL

'Time does not stand still - another busy and rewarding year'

Our students have been actively involved in a wide range of activities including the Talent Contest, Variety Concert, International Week and Concert, Chorales Festival and the School production, 'The Wizard of Oz'. They have participated in a wide variety of sporting events including the Swimming and Athletics Carnivals.

A number of students have also represented Victoria in sporting competitions. They are: Tayfun Sumer in the National Basketball Championships and Maya Subara in the Twai Kwan Do Championships.

At the beginning of Term One all Year 9 and Year 10 students assembled to hear how a great Australian athlete Miss Tammy van Wisse, World Champion marathon swimmer, followed her dreams. This proved to be a most positive start to the school year.

We were also fortunate to be invited to attend a 'Reach' youth program held in the Springvale Town Hall. A group of Year 9 and Year 10 students were privilege to hear another great Australian sportsman, Jesse Martin, who spoke about his dreams and how he achieved his goal of sailing around the world solo earlier this year.

A group of Year 10 students have also participated in the following activities that have been held during the year. These activities include - 'Australis Self Made Girl' sponsored by Tattersall, "Empower Me" sponsored and organised by Lord Somers Camp and Power House. The programs were based upon the development of self-confidence and leadership skills. Also as part of the leadership program at the middle school and leadership program involving Year 10 and Year 11 students commenced during Term 3. This program has received amazing support from all students and staff and will most certainly continue as part of the extra-curricula program at DHS.

Our students and staff are never ones to let challenges pass them by and they have participated in a number of competitions during the year. They include:

Jodie Deutrom, 10C, was the successful entry in the Australia Post Letter Writing Competition. She received a personal prize of \$500 and \$1000 for the school.

The Breakfast Cook Off Team competed on Thursday 25 May in Melbourne. Seven Year 10 students were successful in their entry application and were successful in being called in for the Great

Breakfast Cook Off. Congratulations to Michelle Rampal, Cherie Simonet, Stephanie Woodson, Chanika Hangakoon, Greg Mack, Kerry Joyce and Michael Hawthorn, and of course to Mrs Vouvopoulos.

On Friday 21 July Nathan Harder and Travis Harris of 9D successfully completed in the 'Japanese Pokemon Challenge'. Dandenong High School and Oberon High were 'ex-aequo' winners. The contestants won interesting prizes and were applauded by an assembly of about 1000 Government and Independent school students and their teachers.

Olympics! Congratulations to Michael Freeman, Year 9F who was a member of the Olympic Torch escort at Halls Gap.

All Year 10 students have successfully completed one week's work experience as part of their Consumer Education course. As always our students proved to be excellent ambassadors for DHS. Mrs Hayes and Mrs Steadman would like to take this opportunity to thank the hundreds of employers who have participated in this program.

In November, 52 of our Year 9 students and five staff attended the annual camp to Sovereign Hill, Ballarat. It was a major success with all students participating in a wide range of unique activities.

Mrs Filippou, Mr Pegram, Mrs Hayes and Mrs Steadman would like to take this opportunity to wish our students and their families the very best for next year and hope that they have a safe and enjoyable holiday.



PROSE & POETRY

The Boy

Little boy sits staring
His world's been torn apart
He doesn't even cry any more
He hasn't got the heart.

Outside a war is raging
Many live in fear
Still the boy sits staring
And still won't shed a tear.

He hears a baby crying
A gunshot, then no more
And still he sits cross legged
On the cold, hard floor.

The boy is not cold hearted
Though he doesn't shed a tear
The boy is sitting waiting
Frozen by his fear.

And then the door bursts open
Two soldiers rush right in
They see the frozen figure
Cold and scared and thin.

They lift him up and take him out
And then they look around
Dozens of dead bodies
Litter the dirty ground.

They put the child onto a truck
Where more children are sat
"You'll be safe", a soldier shouts
"We'll make sure of that."

Our world should not be like this
With wars between our lands
The answer to this problem
Is held within our hands.

Too many children live like this
Huddled on their floors
You can try to help them
The choice is purely yours..

Kate Gill 7C

Mission Impossible - A short short story

It was gonna be tough. Real tough. The kind of tough that requires your 100% mental and physical dedication, the kind that only an emotion such as hate or lust could empower one to negotiate. A chance to once again, don those most sacred robes, a chance to battle against all odds, to sip from the holiest of grails. It wasn't going to be easy either, for Thief's grail was heavily guarded. For a treasure of such religious significance, one could expect no less, that's for sure.

It was dark out and raining cats and dogs too. The thunder rang out loud, making it hard to hear anything. Thief pulled a Jimmy stick from his silky black overcoat and mechanically looked around. He was a finely tuned machine - Thief - He had in his mind rehearsed this 1000 times over. He glided silently, effortlessly over the cold tiled floor as would the shadow of a shadow, invisibly quiet.

Around the corner, he spotted it - the grail. He reached for it and Footsteps! His head spun round, eyes scanning for movement. Around the corner, a round, yet nimble figure, striding like a semi-crochet, was making her way up the hall. He grabbed the earthenware pot and fled into the shadows. The guard made her way into the room and looked around.

"Thought I heard something", she said, "or maybe not." She made her way, the semi-crochet, back from where she came. Thief sighed. He made his way over to the windows and drew the blinds. An ocean of midnight blue flooded the room. The pitter patter of the rain could still be heard. He pulled the lid off the pot and reached inside. Taking a deep breath, he emptied the pot of its delicate, crumbly contents and held it up to the night sky.

A perfect disc it was, with the heavenliest aroma. He held it up to his mouth and "Shannon !!! Put that damn cookie down and get to bed !!!"

"But MUUUUM....."

by Shannon Brown 9 C



YEAR 9

YEAR 10



ROW 4: Jane Stevenson, Nena Vucic, Gianni Gallardo, Sheri Angear, Jessica Marriott.
ROW 3: Kerry Atwell, Robbie McIntosh, Mohammed Shakeeb, Johnny Sun, Filio Airm, Toby Cao, Xiaona Tong.
ROW 2: Ayla Selamoglu, Lisa Yin, Katherine Kung, Monica Von, Cheryl Ling, Melissa Kenny, Mai Zheng.
FRONT: Joshua Serdzett, Sue Luu, Alex Yao, Conni Booth, Terren Ho, Amali Fernando, Priangan Vyanandan.
YEAR: 9B
TEACHER: MS K. MARINI



ROW 3: Kaitani Samrajewu, Ashleigh Barnes, Levent Hilm, Jasak Chojnacki, Boris Nikolic, Ricardo Cornejo, Ogi Plakalovic, Peter Cvjetlic, Rukshan Fernando, Alice Buzgali.
ROW 2: Rosa Sofie, Kris Darby, Katarina Jakovljevic, Alessandro Vecchio, Nadia Marq, Christopher Hohmann, Amanda Ruzmanovski.
FRONT: Danielle Christofa, Melinda Selimi, Shazia Mazid, Hasina Rashidzade, Snezana Mavrenski, Mhirani Perera, Dorofela Luy.
YEAR: 9C
TEACHER: MR P. BOND



ROW 4: Taspe Taape, Karol Jarentowski, Jo Zhu, Sayeed Gwarzad, Davor Banadinovic, Gen Li.
ROW 3: Zeljka Jovanovic, Sanja Mihajlo, Elena Kutukoff, Ana Andre, Zenaida Manjusak.
ROW 2: Myrina Markovic, Raphael O'Dea, Daniel Cristian, Caglayan Aydin, Alec Cota, Arun Baskaran, Andrea Tyrtkovic.
FRONT: Adriana Gramnea, Maria Isodolu, Venesha Swan, Valera Harin, Gayani Meemanage, Razia Bibi, Ana Klasan.
YEAR: 9D
TEACHER: MR BARRY BAXTER



ROW 4: Romesh Perera, Goran Sekulic, Gabor Kiss, David Yang, Dylan Listing.
ROW 3: Rawad Makarem, Daniel Brewster, Rebecca Salu, Simisa Crepelea, Sarah Salter, John Li, Elvis Ha.
ROW 2: Kimberlee Paul, Daravutha Luong, Peter Borovac, Harley Mutch, Alex Tadjan, Christopher Constance, Danielle Stewart.
FRONT: William Theng, Joanne Vlahovich, Mandy Li, Katrina Roncari, Catherine Jong, Jacqueline Lin, Vishal Chander.
YEAR: 9E
TEACHER: MS BETH KELLY



ROW 3: Jimmy Leung, Jenny Li, Michael Freeman, Maja Hrvacevic, Krishneel Mudaliar, Ivana Ramil, Anthony Dabate, Katherine D Costa, Ramon Voronov.
ROW 2: Linden Fredericks, Susan Ware, Ahan Raxhepi, Aleksandra Malinowski, Michelle Williams, Debbie Nicol.
FRONT: Billy Le, Justin Merino, Shaun Kuyt, Fredy Moniz, Janette Vlahovich, James Maguire, Michael Miti, Risaanth Sthampareppillai.
YEAR: 9F
TEACHER: MS P. SKOUFIS



ROW 3: David Deng, Qing Han, Dilanka Kuruppu-Arachchi, Jason Nayna, Chris Williams, Alex Zhang, Davor Stankovic, Michael Law.
ROW 2: Travis Harris, Julie Luu, Jessica Worley, Joanne Schienger, Shae Henderson, Linda Tang, David Holmes.
FRONT: Alesman Coskun, Prakash Kallasanathan, Jenny Ta, Demi Le, Jingru Xu, Kon-In Som, Nathan Harder.
YEAR: 9D
TEACHER: MS S. JENKINS



ROW 3: Ivan Skrobo, Matthew Newton, Tina Vucan, Cameron Anthony, Dragana Djukic, Carl Gusmao, Amela Boslogic, Musmet Sulmanovski, Viazim Fak.
ROW 2: David Fiers, Renee McDonald, Haidi Wang, Angela Lay, Andrew Fletcher, Charita Lacey, Andrew Napolitano, David Fiers, Renee McDonald, Haidi Wang, Angela Lay, Andrew Fletcher, Charita Lacey, Andrew Napolitano, David Fiers, Renee McDonald, Haidi Wang, Angela Lay, Andrew Fletcher, Charita Lacey, Andrew Napolitano.
FRONT: Bekir Suleman, Ansley White, Burk Guden, Casey Kein, Billy Joe Robson, Elena Manole, Muhammed Agushi.
YEAR: 9G
TEACHER: MRS CHRISTINE OLIPHANT

YEAR 10



ROW 3: Dane Diedricks, Rasim Tirovski, Jason Wong, Andrew Hanin, Miroslav Karaga, Hasibullah Samadi, Sergio Pop, Kamil Sahin, Thomas Toth.
ROW 2: Jenny Tran, Sophie Chea, Linda Tcham, Jenny Xu, Rebecca Volkoff, Maya Subara.
FRONT: Soun Keng, Shireen Kumar, Athina Papathanasiou, Ramila Lay, Vanessa Noade, Stacey Bardsley, Jasmina Onulov.
YEAR: 10B TEACHER: MRS H. SIMMONS



ROW 4: Huan Nguyen, Gokhan Yakup, Phillip Secara, Patrick Andrews, Keran Thomas, Jacob Rojas.
ROW 3: Aida Vahid, Joe Sheng, Roberto Serrano, Daniel For, Helen Isodiou.
ROW 2: Amy Cornell, Rubin Xie, Shani Pitpana, Jacky Li, Nicholas Mitos, Mujib Rahimi, Raziye Aleviski.
FRONT: Nikki Laguno, William Tatin, Adina Duscas, Vlad Vasiliuc, Lara La Leggia, Quao Tran, Stana Krdija.
YEAR: 10D TEACHER: MR SITNAI OTO



ROW 4: Abubakr Azimi, Jakov Topalovic, Dean Carmichael, Tayfun Sumer, WeiJia Liu, Evan Shen.
ROW 3: Daniel De Haan, Sasha Ja, Amanda Kik, David Howard, Polin Sok.
ROW 2: Lina U, Michael Juricic, Tijana Terzio, Julio Serrano, Liching Li, Boris Lojanica, Jade Pavlov.
FRONT: Novak Boskovic, Brad Matthews, Apo Tchung, Cassy Thomas, Emel Sezgin, Frederic Wu, Paul Clark.
(Absent: Lindunim Tirovski.)
YEAR: 10A TEACHER: MS ANNE KENNEDY



ROW 4: Monica Bohata, Matthew de Zylva, Anu Balasingam, Dejan Korac, Admira Sikic.
ROW 3: Umil Gezer, Dana Vukmircovic, Michelle Rampal, Victoria Rendall, Elizabeth Zaharopoulos, Susan Robinson, Mayank Shun.
ROW 2: Rekha Rachamella, Gaya Kumarsingam, Fatima Seforagic, Stephanie Woodson, Lauren Riess, Tegan Sanderson, Shaon Lyarage.
FRONT: Heidi Norindr, Kerry Joyce, Jodi Deutrom, Kerwin Lee, Hua Feng, Chelsea Preston, Rhuza Tagala.
YEAR: 10C TEACHER: MR JAMES GREIG



ROW 3: Steven Bakerson, Neeraj Chandra, Attila Mutlu, Kate Kiyueva, Shayne Gibbs, Djurdjica Mijajica, Danjan Lic, Josi Ieremia, Peter Duong.
ROW 2: Jamie Faithful, Bianca Pershin, Greg Mack, Ebru Mustafa, Marinko Matosevic, Natalie Pudovkin, Ryan Marlin.
FRONT: Christina Appudurai, Michelle Cafun, Tu-Anh Huynh, Senia Mesquita, Thushanthi Sithamparappillai, Danielle Ng-Youne, Rila Ramli.
YEAR: 10E TEACHER: MS M. WILLIAMS



ROW 3: Chanika Ilangakoon, Nelson Ali, Brad Toth, Peter Vezoc, Samir Emiri, Gavin Ferguson, Dashmir Huseinovski, Chris Colquhoun, Funda Sakaci.
ROW 2: Pia Farias-Hernandez, Ercan Ileri, Tina Noori, Michael Hawthorn, Amanda Cormick, Gokan Uygur, Laura Jarvis.
FRONT: Rebecca Ede, Huan Ming Chen, David Szeto, Yi-Hui Fai, Ryan Mackin, Cherie Simonet, Joanne Ware.
YEAR: 10G TEACHER: MRS D. ANGELIDIS



ROW 3: Zeljka Trakolovic, Dan Boarli, Sylvia Kolczynski, Miroslav Djuric, Kate Dillon, Jovo Karac, Vanja Mrdic, Jason Ho, Ivana Jokanovic, Brian Aravona.
ROW 2: Bradford Chrisafis, Vedrana Mileic, Newton Man, Nazieh Fazli, Darshana Anthonige, Marisa Blaseotto, Michael Liu.
FRONT: Debbie Li, Beverly Abellana, Jade Bridle, Emily Topa, Andrea Popescu, Cindy Li, Melissa Florindo.
YEAR: 10F TEACHER: MS S. MOORHOUSE



ROW 4: Sachith Jayasinghe, Luke Choyco, Danny Kennaugh, Dane Knezie, Italo Nervosa.
ROW 3: Marius Clinean, Camelia Muresan, Petros Stamatoopoulos, Ligia Radu, Gokalp Uygur, Jessica Listing.
ROW 2: Kuinda Ha'oka, Courtney Lloyd, Carmen Sabau, Yasemin Gumus, Zorita Mihalovici, Joanne Parker, Tina Kenny.
FRONT: Sinhuvagini Serrakaran, Rachel Wawruszak, Maisha Peiris, Joy Manaka, Tonia Zhang, Candice Oliver, Christelle Ng-Kwet-Tat.
YEAR: 10H TEACHER: MRS K. BUCKLAND

TEACHERS' QUOTES

Ms Marini

"You can't do that on the end of year exam"

Ms Kamevaar

"I'm so stressed today"

Mr Sampson

"Think happy thoughts"

Ms Phillipou

"Yeah I know it's boring"

Mrs Steadman

"I couldn't remember my registration number"

Mrs Ellins

"Hey can you get me some fairy floss?"

Mrs O'Gallagher

Good morning...Listen thanxxxxx.....I'll just do the role thanxxxxx"



Mr Ginnif

"Quick smart" "Rat Bags" "Yankee Doodle"

Mrs Mason

"Can we focus please?"

Mr Hind

"Let me tell you all the story about Sparky"

Ms Loboki

"Boy's, girls and other miscellaneous sexes...Fergie?"

Mr Grant

"What, you want some wood??? What do you think this is, a charity?"

Mrs Rowlands

"Get a stapler, get a life"

Mr Pegram

"Not.....Happy.....Jan"

Mrs Smith

"It's beyond the scope of this course"

Mr Turner

"Boys, boys, boys where have you been?"

Mr Eadon

"Go the Sinters"

Ms Balfour

"And people wonder why women marry older men!"

Mrs Stevenson

"That assembly was not your best performance"

Mr Ward

"Didn't I just tell you to get that shirt in?"

Ms Elliott

"Never trust anyone who says 'trust me'"



DEBUTANTE BALL 2000

On the 22nd of July Dandenong High School held its annual Debutante Ball at Rembrandts in Wantirna. Approximately 500 guests attended this wonderful event. The debutante set was comprised of twenty six couples. Three couples were from Cleeland Secondary College. We also had an adorable flower girl, Maddison Williams and handsome pageboy named Paris Giotopoulos.

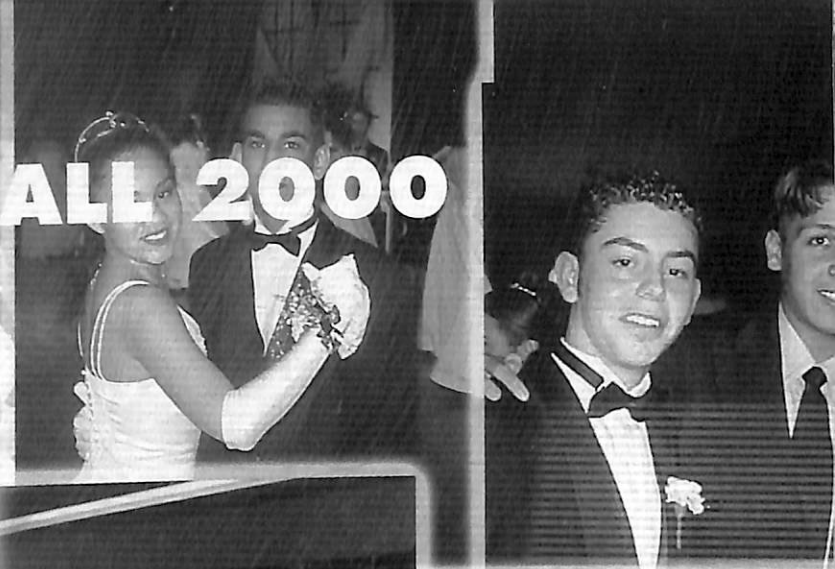
In preparation for the ball the debutantes and their partners had to learn four dances: charmaine, progressive jive, evening three step and the cha cha. The rehearsals were held on Sunday afternoons for eight weeks. The level of commitment shown by these wonderful young people was heart warming.

The atmosphere on the night was fantastic and the debutantes and partners looked stunning in their formal wear. Many debutantes described the night as the best night of their lives.

During the formal ceremony the deb's were presented to the guests of honour, the Mayor of Greater Dandenong, Mrs Angela Long and her husband and our principal, Mr Martin Culkin and his wife.

Thank you to the many people who attended the night to support the deb's and their partners and a big thank you to everybody who contributed to making the Debutante Ball so successful.

Miss Port



Y11 CO-ORDINATORS

report

2000 was a busy year for the Year 11 students and teachers. Beginning with Orientation Day way back in late 1999 (seems like an eternity ago), the students experienced their first taste of the VCE. This year the first group of students doing the accelerated learning program reached VCE. This swelled the ranks of Year 11 students, and for the first time ever we had 230 students in the group. This year's students were the guinea pigs for the revised VCE. There is a much greater emphasis on in-class assessment (SAC's) compared to the old CAT system. In this light most students have approached their studies with gusto and dedication to prepare for their final year of schooling. The high number of students receiving all A's or B's on both mid-year and final reports was higher than usual, giving promise to some outstanding ENTER scores in 2001.

A studies skill day early in the year allowed students to gain important insight into the mechanisms of VCE and the importance of planning and revision for the increasing demand of examinations while maintaining a balanced lifestyle. It also allowed the students an informal opportunity to ask questions regarding the ENTER scoring process in Year 12 and discuss how certain subjects relate to future career and tertiary institutions.

As coordinators we found the students able to demonstrate their heightened leadership role in the school with many students involved with SRC, fund raising, Chaplaincy, International Week, House Sports (as Captains, etc), inter-school sports, music and drama productions, chorals and debating. In second semester the youth leadership course was introduced, giving formal recognition to student activities and training in leadership skills. The students involved in the youth leadership course found it fun, rewarding and challenging, as well as hard work!

On behalf of all the teachers at Year 11 we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the students on their efforts so far and wish them well for the imminent examinations and good luck for Year 12.

Ms. Komen/ Mr. Uwins





ROW 3: Hudda Amiri, Dragana Banadinovic, Dusan Bozic, Luke Bayley, Vladimir Andric, Angela Allen, Rakibe Agushi
 ROW 2: Anton Bashutkin, Richard Begazo, Ali Al-Bander, Martha Azzopardi, Hayley Ball, Nasar Babak, Dini Agushi, Masih Ahmadi
 FRONT: Daniela Bolcu, Natalie Bayliss, Kara Agius, Ioana Astilean, Alma Besagic, Gulce Bolukbasli, Paula Astilean
 YEAR: 11A



ROW 4: Adrian Clobaru, Nicholas Conway, Amanda Davis, Shaun Carter, John Chan
 ROW 3: Daniel Caplou, Tolya Cui, Billy Choy, Hoan Dang, Rory De Kock, Daniel Cota, Jess Brewster-O'Day
 ROW 2: Carmal Carlin-Smith, Camelia Crepelca, Bianca Coviello, Melissa Chan, Danielle Carveth, Monica Chan, Natalie Charles
 FRONT: Zena Cao, Susan Collier, Wendy Dai, Emma Crawford, Marilyn Briggs, Sopha Chea, Huy Chau
 YEAR: 11B
 TEACHER: MR S. KENNEDY



ROW 4: Andy Jiang, Peter Kulushikuof, Igor Ivanovic, Sasha Jelcic, Mladen Ilic
 ROW 3: Hany Labib, Alston James, Megan Kiley, Wesley Kimm, David Kut-Moi-Cheung
 ROW 2: Michael Lucasa, Anil Jannohammad, Tanja Josifovski, Ramea Kassab, Paul Jeffery, Eric Jiang, John Lai
 FRONT: Cassandra Jarvis, Alla Kutukoff, Katie Ieremia, Sin Keng, Brigita Jakovljevic, Milena Jong, Pui-Lam Kwan
 YEAR: 11D
 TEACHER: MR R. GINNIFF



ROW 4: Ligia Grunzu, Domagoj Dragicevic, Ognjen Gutali, Hayden Fredericks, Jasmina Eminagic
 ROW 3: Alma Hadzovic, Jack Gao, Angelos Georgatos, Lirim Falk, Richard Elliot, Cade Harris, Lyndsay Gibson
 ROW 2: Sylvia Glonek, Erin Gill, Omar Gawarad, Honcheun Dick, Amra Hadzovic, Lola Erakman, Sandrine Desribes
 FRONT: Hieu Huynh, Kim Huynh, Marlene Humbert, Abiramy Gnanathanmuthalvan, Kate Everitt, Tracy De Kock, Abdullah Guner
 YEAR: 11C
 TEACHER: MR ANDREW TAYLOR



ROW 4: Nicholas Migale, Michel Louis, Rade Manojlovic, Mirsad Makalic, Tshopo Moeng
 ROW 3: Daniel Lashkarev, Kieran Mackin, Rudy Mitrovic-Finu, George Manole, Wal Leung Ma
 ROW 2: Kymberlie Mitchard
 FRONT: Zoya Li, Meggen Lowry, Sarah Lo, Dorothea Lucaci, Lisa Le, Farida Maniq, May Le
 YEAR: 11E
 TEACHER: MRS D. WRIGHT



ROW 3: Asniqur Rahman, Alin Mot, Chris Parry, Michael Posadowski, Grujo Mrdic, Flaviu Pumnut, Alex Norind, Milica Radanov
 ROW 2: Michelle Poon, Philip Habib Rana, Doni Moniz, Frank Palacios, Jorge Rodriguez, Deepak Narayan, Farzana Mostlehuudin
 FRONT: Maria Panazoglou, Felicity Peroni, Melanie Pereira, David Nguyen, Vicki Papadopoulos, Anna Pota, Robyn Noade
 YEAR: 11F
 TEACHER: MR V. NGAM



ROW 4: Pau-Ing Tchung, Robert Taylor, Nebojsa Trakilovic, Owen Stafferton, Matt Sofoulis, Joel Stephens
 ROW 3: Manvir Sroya, Vanja Stanisic, Pero Trakilovic, Caroline Talin, Phu Ta
 ROW 2: Nearsa Tang, Khoo Ta, Kristel Stewart, Erin Stafferton, Zmarak Taniwal, Greshan Swan, Burim Sulemani
 FRONT: Seoun Thau, Michelle Sung, Kristina Turcic, Ryan Speirs, Amy Sofoulis, Timea Toth, Kim Thao
 YEAR: 11H
 TEACHER: MS JOANNE LOBOCKI



ROW 4: Amin Sido, Simon Smith, Vedran Savic, Jody Schuller, Michael Sheeran
 ROW 3: Eddy See, Marius Roman, Aaron Sellars, Karen Salter, Marko Simovic, Arnel Siskovic, David Shao
 ROW 2: Matthew Smith, Zelika Samadi, Anna Rybak, Nimalin Selvarasa, Jane Simonet, Michael Shafik, Murat Sen
 FRONT: Vanja Salamandic, Andreea Rus, Pinar Simair, Singithi Silva, Laura Skoda, Christine Rodwell, Sinuon So
 YEAR: 11G
 TEACHER: MS NINA SARIS



ROW 4: Aaron Wood, Marcin Wasilewski, Kinga Urbankiewicz, Samuel Vezoc, Saf Yilmaz
 ROW 3: Jordan Vaka, Matthew Walker, Wei-Chen Zhang, Lawrence Wong, Oliver Windsor
 ROW 2: Dagmara Wojtan, Avianca Van Schyndel, Kim White, Djana Villani, Jessica White, Helen-Mares Vea, Carmen Williams
 FRONT: Evelyn Vincent, Felicia Vong, J. Ana Zalesa, Monika Turcic, Luda Wang, Yasun Wijesinghe
 YEAR: 11I
 TEACHER: MRS MARIA PAPAZOGLU

Y12 CO-ORDINATORS' report

The year began well with a keen group of Year 12 students ready to tackle months of hard work. First term went well with most students keeping up with the demands of the new VCE. Later in the year some students struggled with the demands of the new course but fortunately with perseverance these students have made it to the end.

The biggest news for this year revolves around the new assessment system. SACs!! This word has come to strike terror in the hearts of many well-adjusted DHS VCE students. Actually, most students have coped very well and they deserve to be congratulated.

The Year 12 teachers have had to deal with CATS, SACS, Work Requirements, Learning Objectives, deadlines and course sampling. However, as the year draws to a close, we would like to express our thanks on behalf of all the students, to the dedicated staff involved with Year 12. The staff have worked with enthusiasm to support the students so that they may realise their full potential.

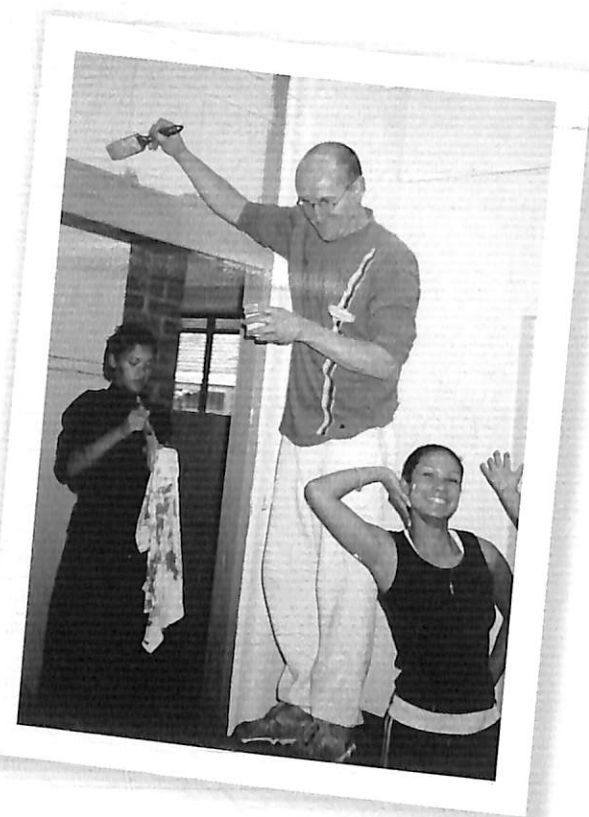
The highlights of the year were the Final Assembly held in the gymnasium and the end of year Dinner held at Camelot Receptions. Most students were in attendance and a delightful evening was had by all.

As year 12 Coordinators we would like to thank the 'Class of 2000' for their hard work with their studies and their involvement with a variety of extra-curricular activities such as sport, drama and musical events. A big thanks needs to go to all the Year 12 staff who have helped this year's students achieve at a level of which we are all very proud. We would like to make special mention of our school leaders who have represented the school on

many occasions throughout the year. Sheldon, Jennifer, Leigh, Nimna, Mevlan and Jessica.

The Senior Sub-School staff wish the "Class of 2000" all the best for the exam period and any future endeavours that they may tackle in the coming years.

Mr. R. Hind, Mrs. E. Pearce
(Year 12 Coordinators)



First Name	Melanie		First Name	Meilan		First Name	Ipek		First Name	Ilkay	
Last Name	Abeyinghe		Last Name	Ajrovaki		Last Name	Aksoy		Last Name	Akeu	
Birthdate	11/05/82		Birthdate	20/12/82		Birthdate	3/12/82		Birthdate	16/11/81	
ambition	To be happy and successful		ambition	To get a full time job		ambition	To be a lawyer		ambition	To live happy all my life	
quote	"Never give up"		quote	"Baby you're the one for me"		quote	"What do you take me for?"		quote	"I'm sooooo tired"	
First Name	PJ		First Name	Shanuka		First Name	Claudia		First Name	Christian	
Last Name	Anand		Last Name	Anthonige		Last Name	Apera		Last Name	Astilean	
Birthdate	24/08/83		Birthdate	9/02/83		Birthdate	12/12/83		Birthdate	27/10/82	
ambition	To own my own club		ambition	To be taller		ambition	Preacher		ambition	To travel the world	
quote	"Nah man"		quote	"Where's my million bucks Gavin?"		quote	God's property		quote	"It's not very funny"	
First Name	Shagufa		First Name	Steven		First Name	Natalie		First Name	Filiz	
Last Name	Azimi		Last Name	Balachandran		Last Name	Balisson		Last Name	Basli	
Birthdate	12/05/82		Birthdate	7/09/82		Birthdate			Birthdate	6/11/82	
ambition	To make the world happy		ambition	To kick Humpty Dumpty		ambition	To get my learners		ambition	To train as a 'gangsta'	
quote	"Do good-fine-good"		quote	"The bus was early and yes I ran to school"		quote	"Anyone for a hotdog?"		quote	"I'm a gangsta at heart, that's what matters"	
First Name	Miriam		First Name	Srdjan		First Name	Flavie		First Name	Micah	
Last Name	Beaby		Last Name	Bozic		Last Name	Bugza		Last Name	Cabral	
Birthdate	31/07/82		Birthdate	15/02/83		Birthdate	21/10/82		Birthdate		
ambition	To live life to the max		ambition	To sleep more		ambition	To Be the best romanian I can!		ambition	To drive a car by next century	
quote	"I didn't go to the mardigras"		quote	"Hey hey boys!"		quote	"Bro"		quote	"I'm sooo sorry"	

First Name	Leigh		First Name	Luis		First Name	Claudia		First Name	Rebecca	
Last Name	Callaghan		Last Name	Canales		Last Name	Capoiu		Last Name	Carroll	
Birthdate			Birthdate	22/10/81		Birthdate	27/11/81		Birthdate	30/04/82	
ambition	To comentate a premiership		ambition	To invent a splashless toilet		ambition	To be a nurse		ambition	Personal carer for disabled	
quote	"Sheeus the boy has gone mad"		quote	"I will shave when I can be bothered"		quote	"I'm not in the mood for this"		quote	"I need a chocolate"	
First Name	Dwayne		First Name	Jordan		First Name	Michael		First Name	Cezar	
Last Name	Carter		Last Name	Chase		Last Name	Chin-Wee		Last Name	Chyzynski	
Birthdate	18/07/82		Birthdate	22/03/82		Birthdate	23/02/82		Birthdate	23/03/83	
ambition	To be successful and rich		ambition	Rugby Player		ambition	To be a fireman		ambition	To become a Hollywood	
quote	"She's mine"		quote	"What sup you?"		quote	"Live it, love it, make it, create it"		quote	"The girls say I'm God's gift to women"	
First Name	Victoria		First Name	Drago		First Name	Nenad		First Name	Christine	
Last Name	Clinean		Last Name	Cvijetic		Last Name	Daic		Last Name	Dalaic	
Birthdate			Birthdate	30/07/82		Birthdate	3/07/80		Birthdate	13/09/82	
ambition	To travel the world		ambition	To get ahead		ambition	Soccer Star		ambition	To try and save more money	
quote	"Gabbie and I are just friends"		quote	"She's got a big..personality"		quote	"Nothing else matters"		quote	"Not another legal SAC"	
First Name	Natalie		First Name	Dragan		First Name	Hon Chau		First Name	Micky	
Last Name	De Zylva		Last Name	Delic		Last Name	Di		Last Name	Djordjevic	
Birthdate	28/10/82		Birthdate	11/03/81		Birthdate	10/08/82		Birthdate	1/07/82	
ambition	To be really happy and success		ambition	Socer Player		ambition	To be the best		ambition	To get some education	
quote	"Oh no lost my lip balm"		quote	"Life's Good"		quote	"Hmmm, I'm going to"		quote	"Boys..Boys..Boys..where you been"	

First Name Stephen
Last Name Gowing
Birthdate 24/05/83
ambition To take over Cuba
quote "You're all great except you..you're not"



First Name Mirela
Last Name Gramnea
Birthdate 18/04/82
ambition To but my own nightclub
quote "I'm a party chick"



First Name Georgie
Last Name Gula
Birthdate 17/07/82
ambition To have money
quote "Bite me"



First Name Ramya
Last Name Guruprasad
Birthdate 28/02/83
ambition To understand maths
quote "Shut-up Janahan"



First Name Ilisa
Last Name Hafoka
Birthdate 28/11/82
ambition To be successful
quote "Keep it real"



First Name Lida
Last Name Han
Birthdate 13/03/83
ambition No clue
quote I saw that happening



First Name Vasily
Last Name Hanin
Birthdate 28/12/81
ambition To rock the block
quote "Let's go to the Old Dandy"



First Name Melissa
Last Name Hartman
Birthdate
ambition To drive a V8 supercar
quote "Ha Ha Ha"



First Name Samantha
Last Name Hastie
Birthdate 6/10/82
ambition Naval Officer
quote "Hello breakfast"



First Name Jennifer
Last Name Holmes
Birthdate 2/12/82
ambition Win the longest argument
quote "What I already gave it to you"



First Name Gavin
Last Name Hua
Birthdate 21/08/82
ambition To drive a Merc
quote "Not another SAC"



First Name ThuyAnh
Last Name Huynh
Birthdate 25/11/82
ambition To be rich famous and known
quote "Okay, I'll shut up"



First Name Peter
Last Name Ioannides
Birthdate
ambition To work at Tip Top
quote "Need a hand?"



First Name Dragana
Last Name Jakovljevic
Birthdate 9/08/82
ambition To travel the world
quote "Are you serious"



First Name Darko
Last Name Jankovic
Birthdate
ambition To be the first pregnant man
quote "I rule man!!!"



First Name Fowzia
Last Name Janmohammad
Birthdate 3/12/82
ambition To be rich and powerful
quote "You're such a bimbo"



First Name Behar
Last Name Donmez
Birthdate 20/01/83
ambition To float like a butterfly
quote D'U know how...thing..I forgot"



First Name Biren
Last Name Donmez
Birthdate 22/03/83
ambition Be a rich plastic surgeon
quote "Good girls keep diaries, bad girls don't have time"



First Name Dilek
Last Name Donmez
Birthdate 21/03/83
ambition To see it, get it and keep it"
quote "Minor technalities"



First Name Sergiu
Last Name Dragomir
Birthdate 19/01/82
ambition World class computer
quote "P's? Sure I have my P's"



First Name Daniel
Last Name Ducas
Birthdate 1/12/82
ambition To fix my XF and sell it
quote "100% Rommanian and proud of it"



First Name Alan
Last Name Elezoki
Birthdate 6/05/83
ambition Plumber
quote "Thanks for popping in."



First Name Burcu
Last Name Erdem
Birthdate
ambition
quote "Do you get me?"



First Name Sam
Last Name Fachkha
Birthdate 2/01/82
ambition Pilot
quote "Love me baby"



First Name Jola
Last Name Fedyszyn
Birthdate 19/02/82
ambition Be a dentist and pro-skater
quote "Waz up"



First Name Andrew
Last Name Ferguson
Birthdate 21/02/83
ambition To join a pigmy tribe
quote ""Yeah I see your point...however"



First Name Conrad
Last Name Fernandez
Birthdate 23/02/83
ambition Chef
quote "I am curry in a hurry"



First Name Sheldon
Last Name Fredericks
Birthdate 5/08/82
ambition Play AFL
quote "I'll hand it in tomorrow"



First Name Abrehat
Last Name Gebrekidan
Birthdate
ambition Public Speaker
quote "I know I talk too much"



First Name Kerry
Last Name Gilbert
Birthdate 10/08/82
ambition To be a writer
quote "Stop picking on me"



First Name Rebecca
Last Name Ginger
Birthdate 21/03/83
ambition To make Fergie cry.
quote "Don't make me HURT you little boy"



First Name Tim
Last Name Gough
Birthdate 15/11/82
ambition o get a porche
quote "Pants of Disney...r u a disneypants?"



			
First Name Ozren	First Name Leigh	First Name Nina	First Name Fawad
Last Name Rogonjic	Last Name Royal	Last Name Rupasinghe	Last Name Samadi
Birthdate 29/08/61	Birthdate 30/12/62	Birthdate 26/06/62	Birthdate 9/06/60
ambition I don't know yet	ambition To be happy and successful	ambition To find the meaning of life	ambition To achieve in life
quote "I didn't do it. You can't prove anything"	quote "Melbourne will so win a premiership"	quote "What so I say a lot?"	quote "If it's big, it's with me"
			
First Name Zafar	First Name Shona	First Name Mustafa	First Name Nevin
Last Name Samadi	Last Name Seaton	Last Name Selamoglu	Last Name Serbest
Birthdate 20/1/62	Birthdate 7/08/62	Birthdate 17/07/62	Birthdate 26/06/63
ambition To travel	ambition Become a "No Fear" stunt rider	ambition To have a pair of my own	ambition To be the best at everything
quote "Ah...but Meessesss"	quote "You are so blonde"	quote "I wasn't looking at those"	quote "But the thing is."
			
First Name Shalin	First Name Krupa	First Name Elias	First Name Branka
Last Name Shah	Last Name Shah	Last Name Sido	Last Name Sinovic
Birthdate 23/02/63	Birthdate 22/03/63	Birthdate 17/07/60	Birthdate 19/03/61
ambition To get fat	ambition To be really happy	ambition Technology	ambition Top grow my hair
quote Where's Jena	quote "Thanks, I love you too"	quote "If it is to be then its up to me"	quote "Some say I'm crazy. I guess I'll always be"
			
First Name Mandeep	First Name Jacqui	First Name Wyra	First Name Rakemely
Last Name Singh Bahia	Last Name Smith	Last Name So	Last Name So
Birthdate 12/03/63	Birthdate 18/08/62	Birthdate 20/9/61	Birthdate 15/05/61
ambition To become more organised	ambition To manage a 5 star hotel	ambition First Cambo to die with 2 legs	ambition To be happy
quote "But Miss it's only three months overdue"	quote "I won't waste any more money"	quote "I know you do"	quote "Oops"

			
First Name Channy Seng	First Name Vickram	First Name Maria	First Name Nicky
Last Name So	Last Name Sriwesa	Last Name Sulemanovski	Last Name Stanley
Birthdate 11/10/62	Birthdate 23/05/63	Birthdate 1/04/63	Birthdate 14/09/63
ambition To travel around the world	ambition Prime minister of Australia	ambition Take Jenkins cruise in my VL	ambition To never grow up
quote "It's better to smile than frown"	quote "Cheque please"	quote "You want me BAAAAAAD mate"	quote "Nah, I am so over him"
			
First Name Jelena	First Name Sasha	First Name Michael	First Name Matthew
Last Name Stjepanovic	Last Name Stojanovic	Last Name Taylor	Last Name Tiecia
Birthdate 13/11/62	Birthdate 6/01/63	Birthdate 23/02/63	Birthdate 16/03/63
ambition To think about it	ambition To grow a couple of cm's	ambition To have 21 piercings by 21	ambition To mosh at every gig possible
quote "Call RACV because they care"	quote "I'm not that little"	quote "Bite me"	quote "Yes I do brush my hair"
			
First Name David	First Name Silviya	First Name Melissa	First Name Teju
Last Name Sulemanovski	Last Name Suenja	Last Name Thompson	Last Name Tejaswi
Birthdate 31/01/62	Birthdate 30/06/62	Birthdate 30/08/62	Birthdate 20/07/62
ambition To own United Distilleries	ambition To be rich	ambition Famous female film director	ambition To live on the edge
quote "Catch me if you can"	quote "Bite me"	quote "What-I don't get it"	quote "I'm not Mr. Bear"
			
First Name Teju	First Name Anh	First Name Coco Lee	First Name Matthew
Last Name Tejaswi	Last Name Thai	Last Name Lee	Last Name Tiecia
Birthdate 20/07/62	Birthdate 30/08/62	Birthdate 30/08/62	Birthdate 16/07/62
ambition To live on the edge	ambition To get it on with Coco Lee	ambition Famous female film director	ambition To meet a deadline
quote "I'm not Mr. Bear"	quote "You can do it if you put your body into it"	quote "What-I don't get it"	quote "I'm nearly finished I promise"

First Name Piella	First Name Jelena	First Name Predrag	First Name Veena
Last Name Too Too	Last Name Trabonjesca	Last Name Trakilovic	Last Name Varagic
Birthdate	Birthdate 24/06/82	Birthdate 2/11/81	Birthdate 27/08/61
ambition To save the world	ambition To always have fun	ambition Accountant/Professional soccer	ambition To be a nurse or doctor
quote "There is nothing left to say"	quote "Not necessarily"	quote "Serbia is my middle name, soccer is my first"	quote Gee Thanks
First Name Mark	First Name Jennifer	First Name Bihan	First Name Kelly
Last Name Vesic	Last Name Vo	Last Name Weekroon	Last Name William
Birthdate 28/04/82	Birthdate 4/03/83	Birthdate 14/04/82	Birthdate 20/01/82
ambition To establish Bobo & Gerry Pty	ambition To just have fun	ambition To lead the coup in Fiji	ambition Overseas Nanny
quote Don't play, hate.	quote "There's only weeks to go"	quote "That's a bit steep mate"	quote "I AM NOT"
First Name Tina "unk"	First Name Michelle	First Name Warren	First Name Tian
Last Name Wolosuk	Last Name Wong	Last Name Wu	Last Name Xia
Birthdate 5/04/83	Birthdate 11/07/82	Birthdate 28/03/82	Birthdate
ambition Elite pilot of the air	ambition You will have to wait and see!	ambition To get 99 for my ENTER	ambition To have a TV cooking show
quote "Elyn + I worship Astroboy king of the sky"	quote "Wendy, Daphne, need I say more"	quote "Wait a minute this is not right"	quote "I broke my leg snow boarding, nah im serious"
First Name Bing	First Name Tiedan	First Name Lei	First Name Marcy
Last Name Yan	Last Name Yu	Last Name Yuan	Last Name Zdani
Birthdate 11/07/80	Birthdate 29/05/83	Birthdate	Birthdate 29/01/83
ambition Reconcile with my mother	ambition To be successful	ambition To scratch my itch	ambition To come to a lasting decision
quote "Perseverance is success"	quote "I miss you Raya"	quote "If you have a itch, itch it"	quote "A friend loves at all times"

First Name	Nadasha
Last Name	Zhang
Birthdate	26/06/82
ambition	To live a fruitful life.
quote	Trust in the Lord with all your heart.



First Name	Rong Lai
Last Name	Zhang
Birthdate	21/04/80
ambition	To own my own Ferrari
quote	"Oh my God! A spare again"



First Name	Nijaz
Last Name	Ziberovski
Birthdate	25/07/81
ambition	To work at Tip Top
quote	"Please pay your voluntary school fee's"



First Name	Chheang
Last Name	thao
Birthdate	
ambition	To own a fruit shop
quote	"I finally got my P's....YES!!"



First Name	Mark
Last Name	Brand
Birthdate	
ambition	To relax for a long time
quote	"Me and my G's are bouncing from here to the coast of over seas"



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