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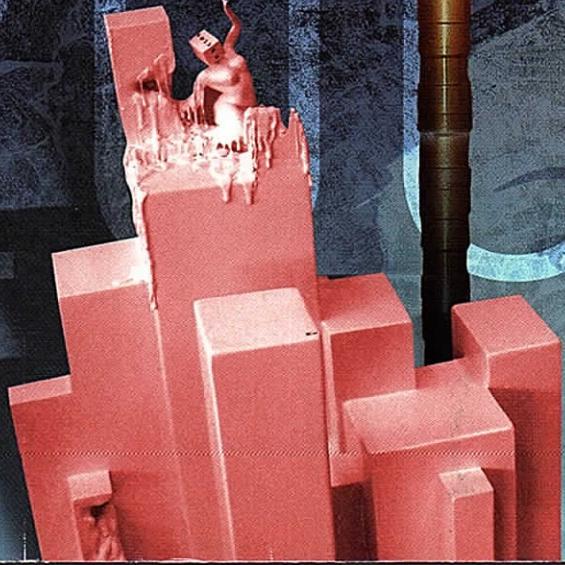
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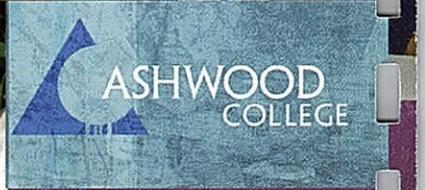


2005



 **ASHWOOD COLLEGE**





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## principal's report

At the turn of last century, aeroplanes were unheard of, but by the turn of this one space flight was considered unremarkable. Now, we have the capacity to make people immune to diseases, which, not so long ago not only lacked known cures, but which were deadly. Less widely acclaimed but equally important are humanity's discoveries about our own minds and person.

These things have all brought about great changes in our art and literature, our politics and economies, our international relations and our ways of living

We go to school to learn of the past and present in order that we may try to make some sense of this ever changing, ever shrinking, world and that we may try to live together in harmony. As can be seen from newspaper headlines, there is often too little of this spirit of tolerance shown in the world today. Intolerance and fear are possibly the major causes of international discord and unrest in the world. Here at Ashwood College students from many different parts of the world work and play together in harmony. It is desirable that that we should think individually, and not be moulded into a set pattern, but even if we are absolutely sure our own ideas are right for ourselves, it is not good if we rigidly cling to our own beliefs and ideas refusing to acknowledge any other ways of life or to recognise the good in others just because they are different from us.

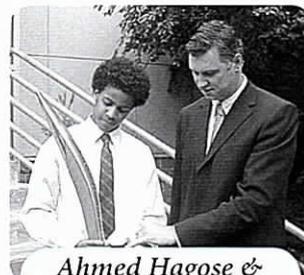
When I see students from all walks of life and many different cultures and countries interacting together harmoniously on a day to day basis at Ashwood College, I cannot help but be very proud of the culture of tolerance and acceptance which is a part of the college. Prejudice arises out of ignorance and for our students the daily experience of knowing and putting a human face to a range of people challenges much of the media hype which unfortunately fills our lives.

There are many opportunities for students at Ashwood College to succeed. As you browse through this magazine you will see the results of and read about the varied achievements of so many of our students. The range of activities available is enormous and include:

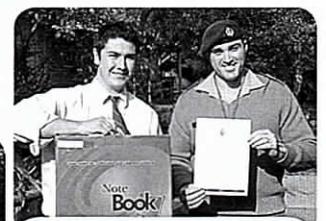
running science workshops for primary students, raising ducklings, acting, performing in the musical or a band, debating, competing in sporting events, creating and displaying art work, camps, outdoor education activities, overseas trips, cooking, computing, and many, many more.

All this makes Ashwood College a special place which challenges and supports students to think for themselves, to develop their capacities and explore new things. This would not be possible without the very dedicated and professional teaching and non-teaching staff who work so hard to ensure students achieve their best. A key person in maintaining this focus is Kerrie Croft, the new Assistant Principal appointed at the start of Term Two. Already Kerrie has made a very positive impact on the college and I would like to thank her for her contribution to ensuring that Ashwood College maintains its culture of tolerance, acceptance and striving for excellence.

**Kate Long**  
Principal



**Ahmed Hagose & Justin Madden MP**



**Andrew Blyberg**  
receiving ADFA award



**Ex-student Justice Marilyn Harberson**



**Najma Abdi & Kate Long**



**VCE parent night with the Norriss'**



## vice principal's report

A significant event in the college lives of all Ashwood students and staff was the retirement of Assistant Principal Hugh Halliburton at the end of first term this year. In his 10 years at the college, Hugh made a real impact on all facets of the college. He was very highly regarded as a teacher and administrator and is genuinely missed by students and staff alike.

My first impressions of Ashwood students when I arrived at the college four and a half years ago were welcoming and friendly; inquisitive and lively; enthusiastic, eager to do well and to participate. These observations were from the perspective of a classroom teacher, year level coordinator and middle years of schooling coordinator. In my new role, I come into contact with many more of the college students under a whole host of circumstances. In my interactions with the students over the past three terms it is wonderful to confirm that these initial first impressions are truly alive and well and I am reminded of them on a daily basis.

These are just a few of the personal qualities I have witnessed during my time at the college. These same qualities form a very sound basis for our students to succeed at school and in the future in their chosen occupation or area of study.

Our students this year have also participated willingly and enthusiastically in their class work and in the many extra curricular activities available at the College. The swimming and athletic sports were well attended with students joining in from a competitive and fun perspective, eagerly participating in the best dressed competition and competing in events to score points for their houses. There have been outstanding individual and team achievements throughout the year with students representing Ashwood College at local, regional, state and national levels. Congratulations to these students.

The members of staff at Ashwood College are second to none. It is an absolute delight working with such a group of committed, enthusiastic and professional people. The level of cooperation and collegiate

support at the college is outstanding. I sincerely appreciate the staff's willingness to put in 'over and above' which makes for such a pleasant working environment for all college members.

Finally, I would like to thank our Principal, Kate Long, for her support, encouragement and patience over the past three terms. The growth and success of our students is a direct result of Kate's vision for Ashwood College to nurture and challenge our young people.

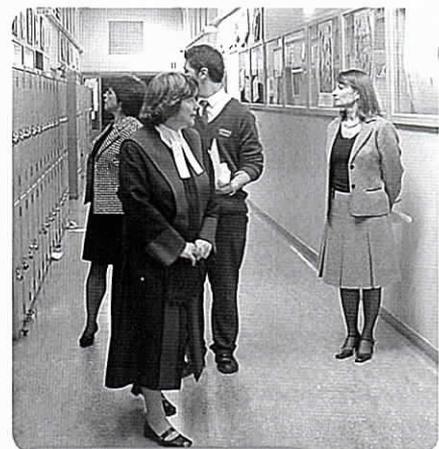
**Kerrie Croft**  
Assistant Principal



*Alicia Hermitte & Kerrie Croft*



*At curriculum "Thinking Day"*



*Justice Harberson, "Principal for a day"*



## school council report

**A**nother year nearly over and a very busy year it has been for the council. A major focus has been on curriculum changes with teachers working very hard to ensure that curriculum delivered in 2006 will be engaging and benefit the students. One example of this is the Year 9 students who gave a presentation on activities they had undertaken as part of a City Centre project. Obviously they enjoyed the activity but also learnt a great deal in relation to the topic and also about the process of undertaking surveys to gain information. Congratulations to the students and teachers who gave the comprehensive presentation to Council and visiting teachers.

Council representatives meet once a month to discuss particular business associated with the running of the school and reach agreement on which policies and actions will be implemented. The representatives consist of parents, teachers, community members and student representatives. The student representatives also give a report and the Principal, Kate Long, also reports to the council on the main activities of the school for that month.

Every year senior students from the Student Representative Council sit on the school council. It is a great way for students to learn about the very complex issues the school deals with and also the new and exciting developments. The student representative reports the events the S.R.C has organised such as casual dress days, sausage sizzles, excursions, support for individual students and groups and bringing forward student concerns and many other new ideas.

Every second week the representatives break into two sub-committees. Some committee members are interested in the financial management and the maintenance of the facilities so choose to go to the Finance and Resources Sub-committee. As representatives of the school community we encourage a clean and safe environment for students and teachers.

Other representatives are more interested in the educational management of the school so attend the Educational Policies and Planning Sub-committee. It

is in this meeting student report processes and formats are discussed as well as the introduction of new curriculum. These committees report back to the Council meeting.

The members of the Council are very committed to Ashwood College and enjoy participating as representatives. All representatives agree that the College is both progressive and caring with a willingness to move forward with changes that differentiate Ashwood from other colleges as well as managing the diverse needs of the students. The really hard work of implementing decisions rests with the Principal, staff and students. On behalf of the Council I would like to thank all of the Ashwood College staff and students for the tremendous efforts in 2005 in ensuring another successful year at the school.

**Sharon Rice**  
**School Council President**

**Parent Representatives:**

Sharon Rice (President), Keri Bailey (Vice-President), Greg Willis, Sam Jamieson, Patrick Van Reyk, Robert Rich

**DE&T Employee Members:**

Kate Long, John Baston, Kerrie Croft, Peter Forbes, Steve Swenser

**Co-Opted Members:**

Clara Zwack (Student Representative), Dr. Geoff White



Steve Swenser, Kerrie Croft, Patrick Van Reyk, Keri Bailey, John Baston, Clara Zwack, Peter Forbes, Greg Willis, Sharon Rice, Kate Long, Sam Jamieson



staff photos



**5th Row:** John Baston, Bryan Walsh, Charles Roberts, Philip Dempster, Tracey Green, Ben Young  
**4th Row:** John Kelepouris, Simon Horsburgh, Glenis Rotondo, Ron Anderson, Erica Chadderton  
**3rd Row:** Genevieve Monteiro, Kath Robinson, Sue James, Roslyn McNeil, Sandra Gunther, Heather Bowles, Aidan McLaren, Denise Shultz, Maree Dusting, Paul Drew, Anna Hopkins  
**2nd Row:** Virginia Sivasamy, Deb Podhorodecki, Jessie Coe, Janet Wiggins, Sandra Baker, Geraldine Slockwitch, Jennifer Lewin, Chris Lynch, Bernadette McIvor, Peter Forbes, Michael Culling, Margaret Single, Fiona Morris  
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Fiona Morris



Colleen Edwards



Nellie Belkind



Jane Hills



Kayre Poulton & Fiona Keech



Lyn Hancock



Sandra Churchus



Bindy Albury



Dale Wain



Margaret Banerji



Phil Norris



Judy Darby



Brendan Ariens



Jessica Leach



Viola Yao



Steve Swenser



Michelle Kerny



Chin Byrne



Robert Taylor



Carola Hodder



Liz Clarke



Peter Graham



Erica Uma



Rod Pilios



Peter Simondson



## year 7 report

In 2005, 101 Year 7 students from many different primary schools embarked on a journey through secondary school. Year 7's settled in quickly to College life under the guidance of their Home Group teachers: Mrs Robinson, Ms Vlahandonis, Ms Dusting (7A), Mr Swenser (7B), Mr Drew (7C), Ms Croft and Ms Kukuruzovic (7D).

In Term 1 the students celebrated their entry into Secondary school with the "Year 7 Parent BBQ and Information Night". Many students, parents and siblings attended and were able to share a sausage or two with their teachers. College Captains and Peer Support Leaders ran a two on two basketball competition, games, a crèche and cooked for the evening.

March saw the Year 7 Orientation Camp at "Candlebark Farm" in Healesville. The camp provided a great opportunity for students to get to know each other better and to challenge themselves on the many activities offered. The Super Swooper was a hands down favourite – as students travelled the 300 metre fly-fox at death defying speeds over bushland. We enjoyed 3 days of beautiful autumn weather, and completed activities such as bushwalking, golf frisbee and swimming. The Thursday night fire twirling exhibition by Ms McIvor followed by the disco was a highlight. The camp was again a great success due to enthusiastic staff, excited students and our Peer Support leaders who travelled to the camp for a day of Tabloid Sports Activities.

As always Year 7s featured prominently in the various extra-curricula and school based activities. They participated in the House Athletic and Swimming Sports, District Swimming and Athletic Sports, Debating, Instrumental Music Program, Interschool Sports Program and the Stage Production, 'Man of Steel'. Students involved in these programs found them extremely rewarding.

Academically, students entered the Australian Mathematics and English competitions, receiving recognition for outstanding results. As the year has progressed, our Year 7 students have matured and developed into positive members of our school

community and many Year 7s were rewarded for their consistent efforts throughout the year receiving excellent results.

Finally I would like to thank the Year 7 students, teachers and parents for helping make 2005 an excellent year. I hope all Year 7s continue to develop the positive attitudes they have developed in 2005.

**Joanne Henriksen**  
**Year 7 Coordinator**



*Nadia, Hannah,  
Emma, & Karina*



*Stephen Hendley*



*Daniel Paola*



*Joshua Watts*



*Team Sports*



*Sean Elder-Baudo*



*Paige, Jessica, Paul, Craig & Pan*



*Guy, Mel, Darren & Matthew*



*Rose Kinsella*



year 8 report

As the year has progressed our Year 8's have matured and have been prepared to take on the many challenges that have come their way, both in the classroom and with many school community based activities. Over the year they have become a very cohesive group with many friendships being formed. From these friendships a strong peer support group and respect for one another has emerged, especially amongst the girls. These positive indicators come about from the commitment and time given to the students by our Homegroup Teachers, Subject Teachers, Student Leaders and the school programs our students are encouraged to participate in.

I would like to thank the dedication of the Homegroup Teachers for assisting with our year 8 students in attaining the next stage in their development for accepting a higher level of responsibility for themselves: Ms Worth, Mrs Chadderton, Mrs Hopkins (Integration Aide), Ms Mundell and Mr McLaren.

A big thank-you must go to the Homegroup Leaders for assisting me when necessary: Alicia Hermitte, Skye Hill, Callum Barry, Han Oh, Kim Coy, Jessica Rayner, Joshua Ludekens, Jeremy Lyon, Emilie Carey, Heather Wain, Matthew McKinley, Jonathan Cooke, Niketa Browning, Jessica Pocock, Mitchell Cook and Daniel Wilson.

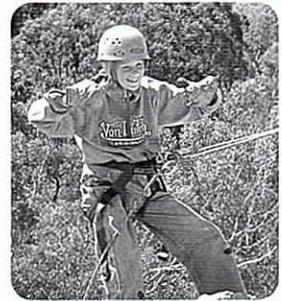
One of the happy memories of this group will be the time spent at camp. We took 81 enthusiastic students who participated in challenges put to them during the 5 days. Some of the tasks asked of them were not for the faint hearted but they all had a determination to have a go, with the majority feeling a sense of personal achievement – well done.

As my Year 8 students move onto Year 9, I wish them well next year. As the first students to undertake the new program at Ashwood College I hope you will find it rewarding and an enjoyable learning experience.

Janet Wiggins  
Year 8 Coordinator



Elise Lockhart, Stephanie Spence & Georgia Sedgman



Ty Bailey



"Modern Day Primates!!!"



JiSoo Kim & Toni Stevens



Aaron Dryden



Kim Coy, Jessica Rayner & Rose Jawadi



Jon Cooke



Matthew Peters



Lisa McLean



Laura Kwon & Melanie Carruthers



Glenn, Stuart, Levan & Cameron



## year 9 report

**A**nother busy year has passed for our Year Nine's. Excursions, incursions, camps and guest speakers have all been experienced throughout the year.

The renowned Geography excursion to the Organ Pipes at Calder has once again revealed geological secrets to hordes of teenagers. Sweetened with lunch at the "yellow arches", Year Nine's represented Ashwood College in exemplary fashion. Science students have had their eyes on other wonders of nature. As part of our Year 9 Science program, our students have been involved in an exciting conservation program called the "The MunYaWana Leopard Project". Ashwood College has been assigned a leopard and as he moved around, his location was periodically recorded via his GPS collar. Our students logged in at regular intervals and were able to track his movements.

As well as providing our students with involvement in a current environmental issue, it also gave them a valuable insight into the ways that modern information and communication technology can be used to convey information, in real time, from one place in the world to another.

Once again our students have pitted themselves against the best in the state, undertaking both Mathematics and English competitions. A selection of students also competed in a Maths Games Day, run by MAV, acquitting themselves brilliantly. Our sportspeople took advantage of Interschool sport competitions, with a number passing through to Zone Sports.

A ski camp, combining Year Nine and Ten students, returned unscathed this year, with freshly honed ski and snow board skills. Initial timidity gave way to confident work on the slopes, with most willing to give every activity a go.

9D were fortunate enough to be the class selected to participate in a new initiative, the "City Schools Program". Preparatory work was done at school before the group spent a full week in the city. This time was used to develop an awareness of the world around them, and specific tasks were completed with small groups investigating hypotheses they had formulated

themselves. This was very successful and a number of students displayed new-found leadership skills.

Best Wishes to the Year Nine's as they leave and make their way into Year Ten. Thank you to all Year Nine teachers, especially the Home Group teachers.

**Sandra Baker**  
Year Nine Coordinator.



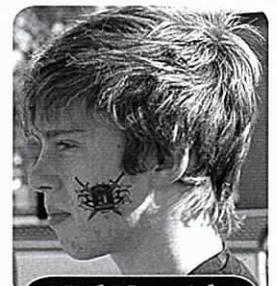
*Stephanie Valsamakis & Troy Argyros*



*Monique Patel & Tamana Shahabi*



*Ella Hayes & Joannie Cheng*



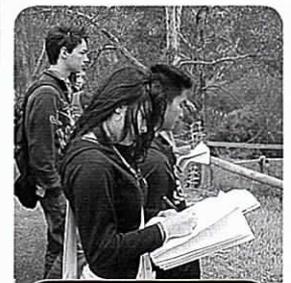
*Josh Cormick*



*Beau Landon, David Vincent, Luke McCarthy & Martyn Van Reyk*



*Peter Petrovic*



*Sascha Vogeli, Zoe Moraitis & Kwan Teeraved*



year 10 report

The Year 10's of 2005 have had an extremely busy year. They have been involved in Work Experience at the end of Term 2. It was pleasing to read the evaluation sheets that were returned by employers. The students showed themselves to be a hard working and responsible group. Some have been rung, asking if they would like to work during the holidays or after school.

To complement work experience all students participated in the "Mock Job Interview Program". We are extremely grateful to the Chadstone East Malvern Rotary Club for giving up their valuable time and interviewing all the year level. The students received some very useful feedback about how to prepare for a job interview.

It has been interesting to see the development of each student as the year has progressed. They have often come into the office to view the range of photos depicting them through the years that they have attended the College. Listening to their comments and remarks has revealed how their attitudes and tastes have changed.

Many students have taken advantage of the opportunities offered by the College to involve themselves in the life of the College. The Drama and Musical nights displayed some real talent. Many students helped with Open Night and Orientation Days. Some coached sporting teams and attended leadership courses run by outside groups. The feedback from the students that attended, showed they had taken note of the material covered. Hopefully they can put this into practice in the future

Thankyou to the home groups teachers; 10A Ms Bowles, 10B Ms Belkind, 10c Ms Morrison.

I would like to take the opportunity to wish the Year 10 group of 2005 all the best for the future. I hope that whether it be VCE, VCAL or other form of vocational training that your ambitions are fulfilled.

Best wishes for the future.

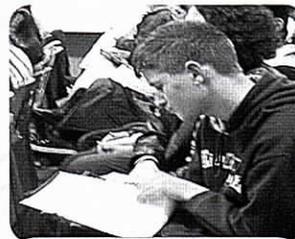
**Philip Dempster**  
Year 10 Coordinator



Careers Information Day



Dani Godfree & James



Kyle Sagegreene



Ben Coy, Angus Parish & Brad Hemphill



Jack Garley at mock job interview



Joel Francese, Danni Godfree with Mr Baston



George Kotinis



Jason Edwards



Laura Mould



Chloe Ledger



Emma Hale



## V.C.E report

**a**s I look back over the past ten months since I arrived at Ashwood College to take up the position of Senior School Manager, I realise what a busy year it has been for all Year 11 and 12 students and their teachers.

Apart from the huge demands of the VCE course which involved subject requirements, outcomes exercises, SACs and exams, some students also undertook VET courses at TAFE as well as language classes on Saturday mornings. I am pleased to report that our VCAL programs continue to grow as students combine school, TAFE and work placement.

Despite the busy academic program, students have still found the time and energy to participate in the numerous extra curricular activities. These have included great performances in the music and drama productions, as well as swimming, athletics and team sports. Congratulations to the Senior Boys Netball Team who made it through to the Zone final.

There have been many highlights throughout the year. For some Year 11 students, no doubt the Presentation Ball will be a fond memory for years to come. Thank you to Maree Dusting for all the hours she devoted to the dance classes and overall organisation of a wonderful evening.

Congratulations to Corey Bramble who was the Year 11 VCAL recipient of the Young Endeavour Scholarship so generously donated by ex-student, Paul Little of Toll Industries. Corey enjoyed the thrill of sailing on the Young Endeavour from Hobart to Sydney in September.

All Year 12 students commenced the year with a study residential at Monash University followed later in the year by a Tertiary Information Day at Deakin University. They have also been addressed by guest motivational speakers and participated in Thai-Chi workshops. In addition to many other excursions run for individual classes, all Year 12 English students attended a visit to the Jewish Holocaust Museum.

I have been most impressed by the way the students have supported each other throughout the year, particularly at times when tragedy struck two of their

friends who were past students of the college. I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to work with and guide them through their final year at school and thank them for making me feel so welcome.

On behalf of all students, it is my pleasure to thank all teachers for their dedication to their students and all the extra time and effort they put in beyond the normal class times. My thanks also to the Year 11 Home Group teachers and to Miss Long for her support throughout the year as the Year 12 Home Group teacher.

As the Year 12's commence their final exams, I wish them every success. I hope they leave Ashwood College with fond memories of their time at the school and they achieve the results that they have worked for.

**Judy Darby**  
VCE Coordinator.



*Yr 11 - Lucy, Jamila, Ewa & Inhong*



*Judy Darby, Paul King & Melissa Engel*



*VCAL Students*



*Yr 12 at Deakin University*



# swimming



Lucy Shao & Courtney Cheah



Michael Joyce



Relay



Another for Edgar!



Breaststroke



Junior boys relay



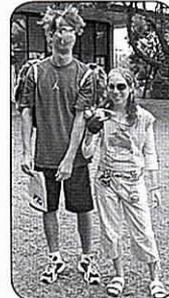
Keeping dry in wet conditions



Busy little pirates



Gemma John



"Mean Pirates"



The boys taking Micaela for a ride



Mitchell Cook



Nice dive



Ella Calvayrac



What form!



Nick Podger



Aaarrggghhh!



Luc Morin



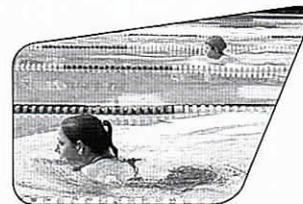
Great turn out!



Senior boys relay



Berimul - Winners!



Girls breaststroke



Diving



## sports report

**W**hat a huge year for sport at Ashwood College in 2005! As Sports Coordinator, I have been overwhelmed with the interest and enthusiasm shown by students of all year levels in both local school and interschool sport. This year we saw a record number of participants competing in the school swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals, and interschool competitions in our Waverley district.

It all kicked off in February this year with the 'Pirates and Buccaneers' Swimming Carnival. A cold, wet and windy day, did not deter the competition, with many competitors trying their hardest to win points for their house. Berimul put on the strongest show, claiming the cup for the third consecutive year. A huge amount of students represented Ashwood at the District Swimming day, and although we did not win on the day, we certainly made the most noise! Edgar Choy, year 12 and Ashley Taylor, year 9 went onto the Eastern Zone championships, with Edgar making it to the state team. He finished with a bronze medal, a fantastic effort to be crowned third fastest breaststroker in the state!

Footy finals fever influenced the theme for the annual athletics carnival. Students turned up with anything footy related, from AFL to Rugby League, Union, Soccer and Gridiron. The spirit of the day was very positive, with a very pleasant 18 degrees which brought out a mammoth contingent of students competing in events. The house rivalry was fierce with Berimul once again asserting its dominance in the sporting arena, upstaging close competitors Bunjil yet again. A massive team went on to the district championships, and 8 of our students went on to represent our district at the Zone Athletics Day.

The School Cross Country was held in Physical Education classes. We had a total of 7 students make the Zone Team held at Healsville Showgrounds on a day where the slippery mud claimed many students chances of progressing to the next level. Many of our students toughed it out in the tricky conditions and finished with in top 20 of 100 competitors, a marvellous effort!

We had record numbers of teams represent the College across all age groups competing at the inter-school level in such sports as; cricket, tennis, volleyball, softball, basketball, netball, football, soccer, badminton, table tennis, hockey and basketball. The most successful teams were the year 7 boys cricket and the year 7 girls squash team progressing to the zone level. A big thank you must go out to all the teachers and student coaches that coached and organised the teams over numerous lunchtimes.

This year I have endeavoured to increase the amount of sports available to Ashwood College Students. The first Ashwood Touch footy team consisting of year 7 students Daniel Shipdides, year 9's Gab Montalban, Josh Cormick, Tye Morin and Aaron Cain and year 11 Rugby stars Dylan Baker and Farrell Rogan. The boys put on a cracking show of slick moves that bamboozled many sides played on the day. They just missed out on the grand final, an excellent effort considering this was our first attempt at the sport! Also on the new sports list was Rugby Union. With 2 sides representing the college, a junior and intermediate, the boys were trained by the Victorian Rugby Union over a four week period. It was great to see the level of enthusiasm shown by the students in learning to play this relatively new sport in Victorian Schools.

Three year 11 students, Chris Goldstraw, Adrian French and Brett Mesley represented Ashwood College in the Metropolitan District Bike Racing Championships held at METEC in Kilsyth. Most notable achiever was Brett Mesley. Competition Indoor Rock Climbing saw six year 11 and 12 Outdoor Education students represent Ashwood College against other school in Eastern Melbourne. The students performed well, with Ehab Kadi tasking the prize of 6<sup>th</sup> best individual climber.

A huge Congratulations must go to all students involved in this years sporting events and competitions and we hope to see you again in 2006!!

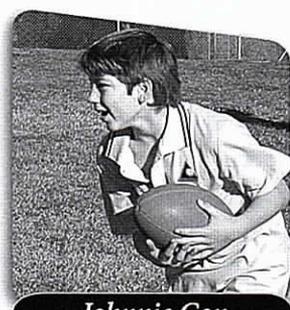
**Ben Young**  
**Sports Coordinator**



*Edgar Choy & Ashley Taylor*



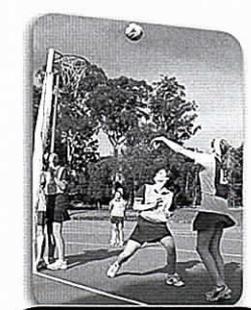
*U/14 girls cross country*



*Johnnie Cox*



*Snr girls netball*



*Yr 8 girls netball*



*Snr boys footy*



*Snr girls softball*



*Richmond players coaching Yr 7*



*Snr boys netball*



*Amy Shepherd*



*Sascha Vogeli*



*Yr 7 boys cricket*



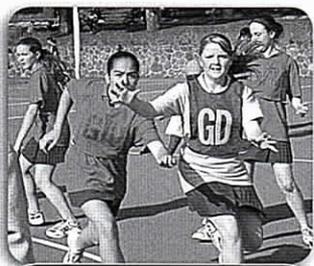
*Jun girls volleyball*



*Jake Chapman*



*Yr 7 girls netball*



*Jess Rayner*



*Warsame Bobe*



*Snr boys footy*



*Joannie Cheng*



*Alicia Hermitte*



*Gab Montalban*



*Yr 8 girls netball*



*Snr girls footy*



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athletics



Dylan Jackson



Vicky Seeto



Masi Akbari & Joe Zhou



Greg Zilberman



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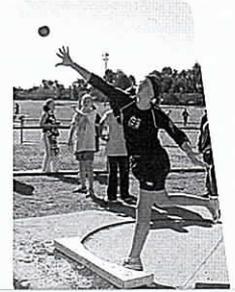
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Dylan Weatherby



Karina Zelesco



Beau Lang leads



Tshepo Seku



Lucy Shao



Jess Connick



Ready, set, go!



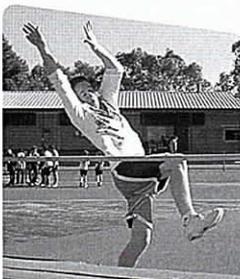
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Owen Dyball



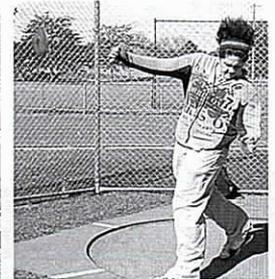
Dylan Jackson



Ella Calvayrac



Johnny Cox



Leon Shearer



# english report

The English faculty has had a very productive year.

Many students in Year 7 to 9 participated successfully in the Australian Schools English Competition run by the University of New South Wales.

There were lots of eager readers in Years 7, 8 and 9, who took up Premier Steve Bracks' challenge to Victorian students to read a minimum of twelve books over a three month period.

Among our top readers were Fay Hang (8A) who read 32 books, Ella Cavayrac (7D), 28 books and Laura Kwan (8D), 25 books.

In Term three, we had a visit from Australian children's author, David Metzenthen, who gave an interesting and informative talk to the students in Years 7, 8 and 9 about the process of writing.

All Year 10 and Year 11 students had their study of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" and "Macbeth" enriched by the live theatre performances of the Complete Works Theatre Company. Some of our students took an active part, playing some minor roles. All the Year 12 students visited the Holocaust Centre in Elsternwick to enhance their understanding of the text "Night".

We have some very talented students at Ashwood College who have produced some very good work in English this year!

**Glenis Rotondo**  
Acting English Coordinator



Ella Hayes cooking up a storm!



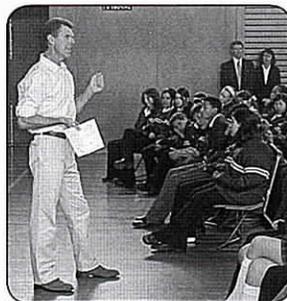
Greg Baker & Ashley Taylor



Celeste Suisala & Greg Baker



David Metzenthen & Bob Stensholt promoting Premiers Reading Challenge



David Metzenthen - author



Claire Barry & Josh Callaghan



Macbeth Theatre Company

The Year 9 Public Speaking class have tackled a range of presentations which enhance specific and general formal and creative presentation skills.

They have given Informative Visual Speeches, told prepared stories (a key ingredient in any successful speech) and are currently exploring persuasive speeches (look out parents, Christmas presents was one possible topic!!!). The students have been encouraged to use each speech as an opportunity to try new skills and improve old ones, and have even presented to the grade three and four students at Parkhill Primary School. This visit was highly enjoyable for the students from both schools especially as there was some taste-testing involved in the Informative Visual Cooking demonstrations!

**Bindy Albury**  
Public Speaking Teacher



## my impressions of *australia*

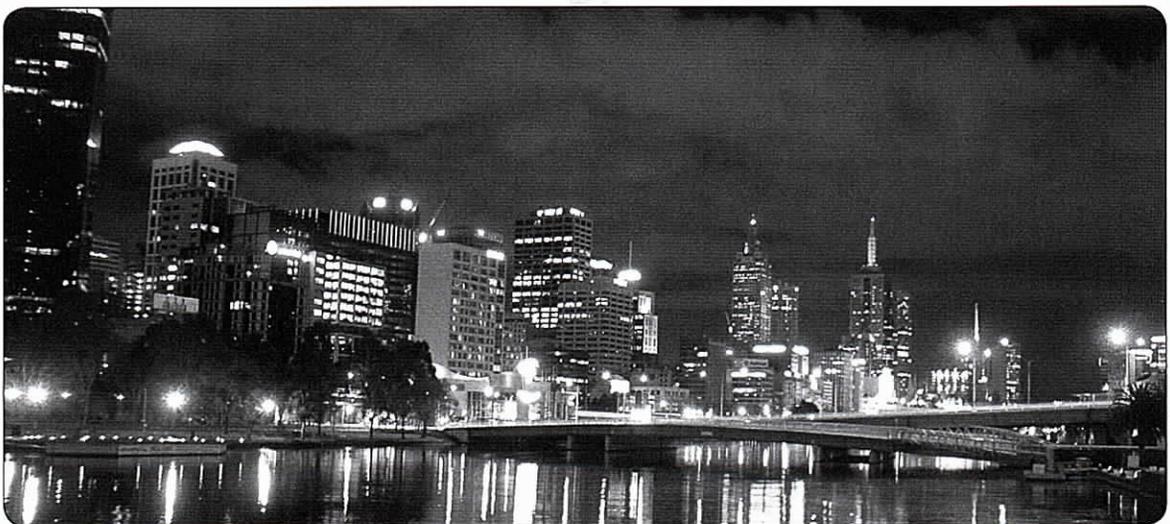
I arrived at the Melbourne airport in June, 2001. Then, I was surprised, because there were lots of different nationalities whom I had never seen before. The first feeling I had when I arrived in Australia was that it was very scary, because there weren't any friends or relatives and because I didn't speak English at all. One thing which really scared me was to go to school, because I was unable to speak English and because there weren't any friends at the school. I worried about everything that happened to me at the school. Later on, however, I liked my school, because everyone in it tried to understand my English and help me a lot.

I have found out several differences between the school I went to in Korea and Ashwood College I am attending as an international student. First of all, at Ashwood we have lots of students who came from different countries and have different cultures and different mother tongues. In Korea I didn't see any students who came from other countries and spoke other languages.

Secondly, in Year 10 we have a program called Work Experience. In this program we go to work places and work there with employers. We see what looks like outside of school. This is the best experience I have ever had. I haven't heard about such a school program in Korea. Korean students are not permitted to work during high school.

Lastly, in Year 9 we have a few electives that we choose on our own and in Year 11 we choose whatever subject we like. In Korea it is not possible that secondary students are allowed to choose subjects they like, but they can have electives in universities. Having electives at secondary school, therefore, is so exciting and fascinating to me. That is really interesting to me. I met lots of friends from my Blackburn Language Centre and primary school through to Ashwood College. There are significant differences amongst the friends I have met at the schools. My primary friends were born here and spoke English very well. The Language Centre friends were not born here in Australia. All of us came from different countries had different mother tongues. We came from China, Taiwan, Sudan, Russia and Korea. To me it was interesting and challenging to make friends with people who had different cultures and characters. At Ashwood, some of my friends were born here, others weren't. One thing I have realized is that students who were born here don't understand fully the difficulties and culture shock the international students have. Nevertheless, I am so happy to live in Melbourne and study at Ashwood where I have experienced a lot of things that I hadn't experienced in Korea. This is a good opportunity to let my dream begin and come true. I have been dreaming of becoming an architect in the future. In order to fulfill the dream I will do my best in my studies at Ashwood.

**Kwang-su Jung**





# e.s.l report

2005 has been another good year for ESL. Classes have run throughout all year levels with 3 periods at years 7 and 8; year 8 being designated a Literacy class and comprising ESL students and others who are working on improving their Literacy levels. At years 9, 10, 11 and 12 there have been 5 periods of ESL.

Our year 12 students are nearing the end of their schooling at Ashwood College and have contributed their reflections on their time here.

**Lalah:** It was hard in year 10 when I came to Ashwood College. Starting a new school in a new country is difficult. We gain more experience by these highs and lows. I had been studying in another country before coming here, but the knowledge and experience I have gained in the last 2 years at Ashwood College is amazing. Now I'm in year 12. For me as an ESL student, year 12 was challenging and fun. I liked all my subjects, but my favourite was ESL because (apart from all the hard work and the SACs) I had so much fun with my class and my teacher.

**Edgar:** Being a year 12 ESL student at Ashwood College is one of the best things that has happened to me. I had great classmates and an enjoyable and relaxing atmosphere in class and here I met the only teacher who didn't get mad at me because I didn't hand my work in on time. For me the Ashwood Swimming Carnival was like a red carpet from years 8 to 11 and I always won at schools and district level. After leaving Ashwood part way through year 11, I have returned at year 12 for a final comeback.

**Genevieve:** Being an ESL student at Ashwood College was an interesting experience in my life. There was some quite challenging work in class and delightful experiences too; especially discussing with other students was most enjoyable work. The class has improved my language skills and made me interested in English. My years at Ashwood College have given me valuable experience and knowledge and have been

enjoyable and happy. I will never forget my Ashwood school life forever.

**Cheryl:** studying English as a Second Language has had its disadvantages, however being in the ESL class has been an enjoyable experience. We've had our delightful chats, arguments and most of the time, pure hard work. I've had my fair share of highs and lows, tears and good times. The one thing I will be able to take with me after 4 years at Ashwood College are the friends I've made.

**Khalida:** It is already time to leave Ashwood College. I remember my first ESL class – the same teacher in front of me. It was even harder than maths. I didn't understand any main task or any parts while reading the books. Being in a new country and learning a totally new language was incredible. ESL in year 12 has been fun. We have learned a lot and experienced many great moments. Some things are unforgettable, like the language analysis tasks and note-taking. Even now when reading newspapers I look for language techniques. Our class is very cooperative and the teacher puts in her effort right to the end. I've enjoyed my studies. These moments won't come again, especially precious year 12.

### Deborah Morrison. English/ESL.



Year 10 E.S.L



Year 9 E.S.L



Year 12 E.S.L



Year 11 E.S.L



# presentation ball

Ten weeks of dance lessons led up to the Debutante Ball on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2005. Eighteen couples arrived at "Rembrandts", some of us already sore-cheeked from smiling for an army of cameras. We were frocked – or suited – up and looked glamorous. One last rehearsal followed our professional photo session, and then there was nothing left but refreshments and trying to calm our nerves before the Presentation began. As we waited the noise of the swelling crowd reached us backstage, with the arrival of our family and friends.

Thanks to our dance teachers Heather and Grant McGeachin, our Presentation passed with no major dramas to speak of. Couple by couple, we were presented to the Mayor of Monash, Stephen Dimopoulos and Councillor Joy Banerji. We then performed our two dances – a modified version of the 'Irene Waltz' and the 'Tangoette'. An energised dinner dance ensued, with many retrospective favourites played gleefully by the live band. Thank you to Maree Dusting and to all those who helped in facilitating such a memorable night.

Courtney Cheah



Claire Barry & Grant McGeachin



Watching the presentation



Presentation to Mayor of Monash



Jessie Connick & Steve Poutakidis



Vanessa Sacco & Kosta Tsioris



The final curtsy



*Final pose*



*Ready for presentation*



*Clara Zwack*



*Jessie Connick*



*Dancing Irene Waltz*



*Kristen Wilson, Angie Bocskor  
& Shannon Wagstaffe*



*Montana Agustin  
with flowergirl*



*Vanessa Sacco  
& Brad Hunter*



*Courtney Cheah*



*Elly Hogg & Tom Silk*





## lote report

The Trip to Noumea is on again. Mr Norris and Mrs Dernikos are leading a large contingent of students (some for the second time) in the March holidays in 2006. Once in New Caledonia they will snorkel the reefs, swim the luxurious courtyard pool, lounge under the leafy palms on the golden sands and, of course, do a few language classes. It's a tough life.

The China Trip is also up and running for the next September holidays. Student and Ashwood College community interest is very high. We are expecting the largest and most successful trip ever. The "success" is guaranteed, as we are going to Xian on the overnight train, as well as seeing all the most famous sights in and around Beijing. This Xian leg of the journey to see the terracotta soldiers was introduced for the first time last year and it was wonderful.

### The Australian China Council Scholarship

Year 10 student, Jamila Bird was one of only ten secondary students from throughout Australia who won a scholarship for a one month intense study trip to China in the Christmas holidays of 2004/2005.

The award was sponsored by the Australian China Council and Swinburne University. The trip included a home stay experience where the students had the opportunity to stay with a Chinese family and experience Chinese culture and language in depth. The students also attended intensive Chinese lessons every day for a month of intensive immersion in Chinese culture and language.

**Fiona Morris**  
LOTE Coordinator



*Damien Gillis & Ms Yao*



*Lucy Shao & Inhong Lim*



*Jean Wang*



**Phil Norris**  
French Coordinator



*Practising using chop sticks*



*French teachers at open night*

*Preparing our french meal*



*Jamila Bird in China*

As part from grammar, learning new vocabulary and improving our spoken and written French this year, we have also learnt about what the French eat. In Term 1 we organized a French café simulation: some of us were waiters and waitresses and some were customers. We could order coffee, hot chocolate, fruit juice and croissants provided we spoke French for the whole period.

During Term 3 we organized a typical French meal with entrée and main course.

We tried escargots (snails), pate, terrine, Coq au vin (chicken), and Boeuf Bourguignonne (Burgundy beef) with Pommes de terres boulangere (scaloped potatoes) and haricots verts (green beans). We had fun wishing each other 'bon appetit'. We hope to finish the year with a tasting of many famous French desserts.



# s.o.s.e report

**S**OSE students had another varied and action packed programme this year. We began the year again by celebrating Cultural Diversity Week in March. This year we had an Australian Muslim and a South Sudanese lady speak to all the year 7 and 8 students.

We also had two Year 11 students participate in the Rotary sponsored "Model United Nations Assembly" at Parliament House in Melbourne for a weekend.

As part of the "Ancient Egyptian" unit, some of the Year 7's had the opportunity to create their own "mummies", using plastic dolls and lots of paper mache and shoeboxes. They also visited the "Mummies Exhibition" at the Museum.

Every Year 10 student took part in the "Be Real Game" during Semester 1. This programme is a role-playing exercise designed to stimulate student learning through activities like games and interaction with classmates, teachers, parents and community members

The usual Geography excursions to the Organ Pipes National Park for Year 9 and Cape Schanck for Year 10 were held again this year.

9D were selected to spend a week in the city for the "City Schools Project". This involved the students surveying and interviewing members of the public for their individual projects.

The Legal Studies students visited Loddon Prison and Old Castlemaine Gaol with the Psychology classes. They also went to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal and the Supreme Court. Year 12 students went to Parliament to see and listen to Question Time.

Roslyn McNeil  
SOSE Coordinator



Yr 9 - Organ Pipes



Micaela Nally



9D - "City Schools" project



7C - Melbourne Museum



Karina Liu



7C students making mummies



Parliament House



Model United Nations Assembly



Chris Goldstraw & Jessie Phillips at VCAT



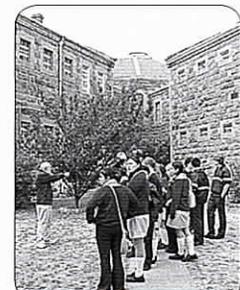
Vietnam Vets. speaking to Yr 12



Yr 11 Legal Studies



Yr 9 - Fieldwork



Legal Studies - Castlemaine Gaol



# maths report

## COMPETITIONS

**7**our teams represented Ashwood College at the 2005 Year 7-10 MAV State-Wide Maths Games Days, held at various schools around Melbourne. The teams were:

- Year 7: Justin McCarthy, Nadia Cirakovic, Bijan Skekebi and Micaela Nally.
- Year 8: Alec Blaber, Jon Cooke, Faye Hang, Mine-Mine Simapivipan.
- Year 9: Melanie Engel, Greg Baker, Martyn Van Reyk and Deborah McCall.
- Year 10: Ines Carnet, David Graan, Natalie Guiliani, and Will Li.

All are to be congratulated for their excellent teamwork and their high level of achievement.

This year, 125 students represented the college in the annual Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC) for the Westpac Awards. Unfortunately, at the time of printing this magazine, the results of this competition were not available.

## NATIONAL MATHEMATICS SUMMER SCHOOL

After a gruelling entrance examination, Jean Wang, Year 11 was successful in securing a place at the 2006 National Mathematics Summer School at the Australian National University in Canberra.

The summer school program is for the discovery and development of mathematically gifted and talented students from all over Australia. It is a two week residential course. Students participate in a series of lecture courses from mathematicians in a number of branches of mathematics at a relatively advanced level. They attend tutorials under the guidance of a range of staff, postgraduate students, mathematics teachers and academic mathematicians.

Congratulations Jean!

**Steve Swenser**  
**Maths Coordinator**



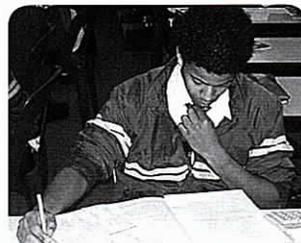
Jean Wang



Yr 7 - Games Day



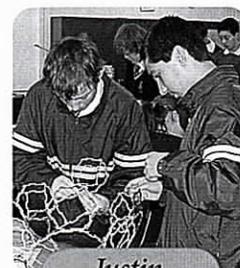
David, Will, Natalie & Ines - yr 10 Games Day



Ahmed completing the AMC paper



Hannah studying for her exam



Justin & Bhijan - Games Day



Yr 10 completing the AMC paper



# debating report

**T**he Ashwood College Debating Teams gave very impressive performances again this year in the D.A.V. evening Inter-School Debating Competitions.

The Year 9 debators; Liana Butler, Ashleigh Taylor, Melanie Engel, Deborah McCall, Emma Hudson and Liam Reoche, participated in 4 debates, under the guidance of a parent volunteer, Mrs. Fran Hogg. They won two of these debates and Melanie was named Best Speaker on those occasions.

A VCE team entered the competition for the first time this year at Ashwood and participated very successfully, also winning two debates.

**Year 11 debators;**

- Lucy Shao
- Upasna Varma
- Lauren Richards
- Jamila Bird
- Clara Zwack

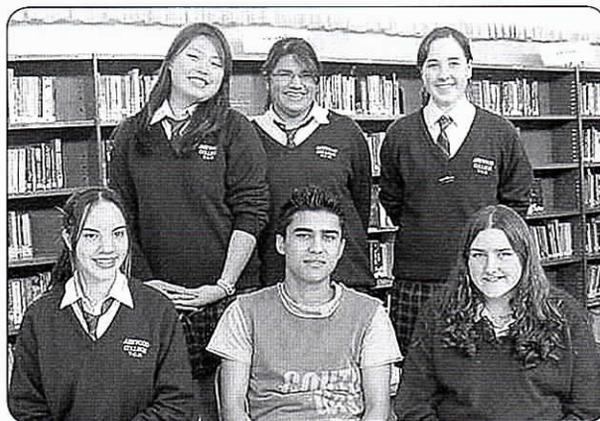
**Year 10 debator;**

- Shmsi Shahabbi

Lucy, Jamila and Upasna also participated in the DAV Inaugural British Parliamentary Debate held at Scotch College over a weekend early in September. Our team was only one of two government schools participants and managed to be placed fifth out of the fourteen schools represented. This is an excellent result for our relatively inexperienced team.

All participants in the schools Inter-school Debating Competition are to be congratulated on their dedication and commitment as well as the excellence of their performances.

**Glenis Rotondo**  
**Debating Coordinator**



*Year 11 (B-Grade) Debating Team  
Lucy Shao, Upasna Varma, Clara Zwack  
Jamila Bird, Shmsi Shahabbi, Lauren Richards*



*Some Year 9 Debators  
Deborah McCall, Melanie Engel, Liana Butler  
& Ashley Taylor*



science



Visiting water treatment plant



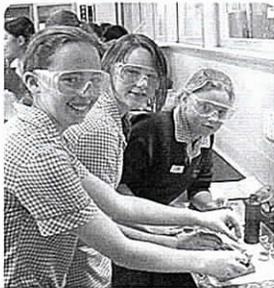
Alec & Matthew



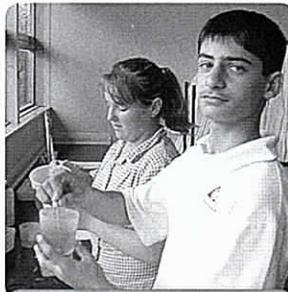
Experimenting with CO2



Ms Lewin



Jordan, Demi & Skye



Carly & Narek



Nikita Browning



Browyn Brown



Amy, Nina & Brooke



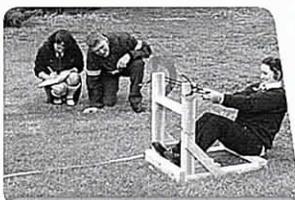
Tom Schulz



Skye Hill



Leila Hussein



Projectile motion experiment



Tree planting



Year 12 Physics



Adam Wallace



Emilie Carey



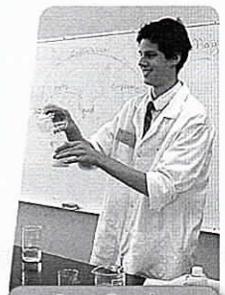
Tom Blenerhassett



Yu Hang



Yr 11- Werribee



Jon Cooke



## psychology report

The popularity of Psychology as a VCE subject is continuing to grow, and it isn't any wonder with all the fun activities that students have been actively engaged in this year. Check out some of the things the year 11 and 12 students have been up to...

**Melbourne Zoo Excursion** – students were able to apply the knowledge gained in class on qualitative & quantitative data by observing the behaviours of the meerkats and the baboons. Students also participated in an information session with a zoo keeper who allowed them to pat a snake whilst a discussion was held about the ethical considerations involved in animal research.

**Old Castlemaine Goal & Loddon Prison Excursion** – during their studies on Social Relationships, students looked at reasons why people engage in anti-social behaviour. At Loddon Prison our students were able to take part in a unique program where they were given the opportunity to have small group discussions with the prisoners. After speaking to five prisoners from very diverse backgrounds, our students had gained a valuable insight into their lives; both in and out of prison.

**Parkhill Primary School Experiment** - Once again our students were involved in replicating Piaget's experiment on the Cognitive Development of Children, which was originally conducted in 1921. After studying Piaget's theory in class, the students fully designed and conducted the experiment on two classes from Parkhill Primary School, whilst ensuring they adhered to the ethical principles central to all psychological research.

**Cunningham Dax Collection Excursion** – students visited "The Cunningham Dax Collection", which is a collection of psychiatric art. Visiting the gallery enabled students to gain insight into how people suffering mental illness use art as a form of therapy and emotional expression, whilst gaining an understanding of the nature of psychiatric illness.

**National Gallery of Victoria Visual Perception Excursion** – students were taken on a guided tour of the gallery at Federation Square and were introduced to a number of pieces of Australian artwork to illustrate and reinforce the concepts learnt in class, such as Gestalt Principles and Constancies, on the visual perception topic.

Both Ms Jowett and I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching our respective classes and we would like to thank all the students involved for their ongoing enthusiasm and participation this year. Personally, I would like to congratulate my Year 12 students on a successful year. I wish them all the very best for the opportunities that await them in their post-secondary years.

Jennifer Lewin  
VCE Psychology Teacher



At Castlemaine Gaol



We'll protect you Nicky!



Claire conducting an experiment



Angie at the gallery



Lauren testing Egocentrism



Katherine leading Vicky astray



Year 12 N.G.V



# arts and technology



*Renae Vardouniotis*



*Cameron Thompson*



*Anthony Dryden*



*Ece Iscimen*



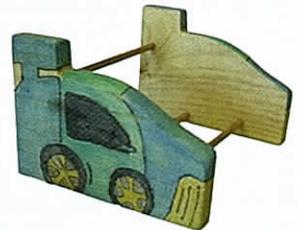
*Amy Shepherd*



*Methmie Herath*



*Brooke Altinay*



*Mitchell Cook*



*Dennis Zhu*



*Name Plate-Chris Patasi*



*Rashid Mahazi*



*Jess March*



*Laura Kerr*



*Fay Yu Hang*



*Ashley Snelleksz*



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*Peter Klye*



*Jack Garley*



*Jessie Connick*



*Liana Butler*



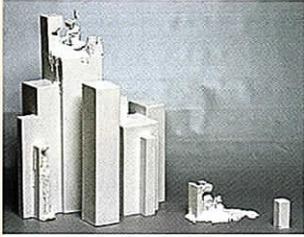
*James Zwack*



*Hilmy Abdic*



# arts and technology



Taly Hallert



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Sissy Wang



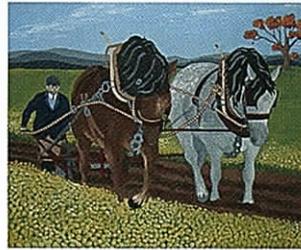
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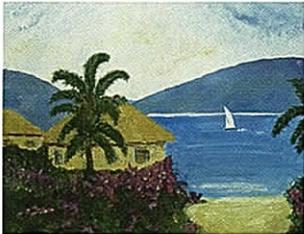
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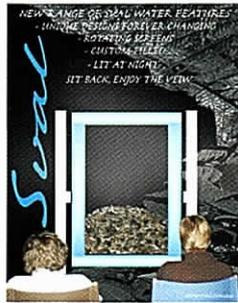
Melissa Engel



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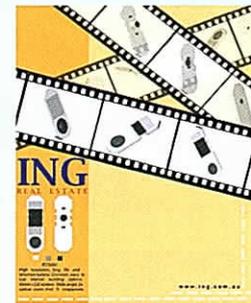
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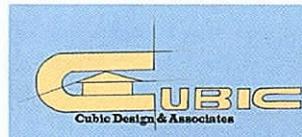
Elleah Nicholls



Luke Rossborough



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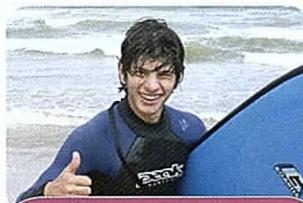
# outdoor and environmental studies



Off and away!



Just cruising



George Lomidze



Oh what fun!



Working the sails



Yr 10 getting into to it!



Nicole Anderson, Lynette Dawson & Lisa Kimitsis



Bonnie Jackson



Jake Chapman



Going through the basics



What style!



Angie Bocskor



Anthea Haryoko & Leon Shearer



Year 12 O.E Team



Snowboarders



Matt Filliponi



Camping in the snow



Luxurious snow dining



Cruising at Lake Mountain



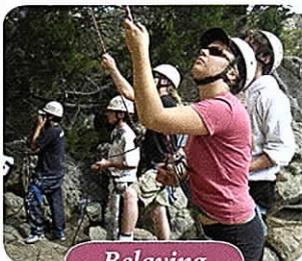
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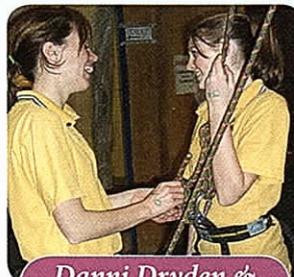
Colby Waterfield



Ella Hyes



Belaying



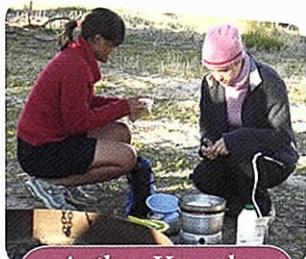
Danni Dryden & Cherie West



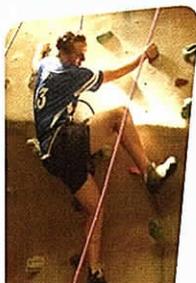
Yr 12



Brendan Parr



Anthea Haryoko & Angie Bocskor



Simon Perkins



A difficult climb

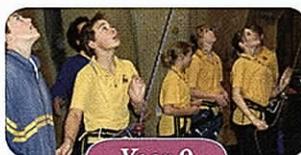


Josh Cormick

## health and p.e. report

It was pleasing to see that "Outdoor and Environmental Studies, Units 3 and 4" was re-introduced again this year for students in Years 11 and 12. Overseen by our very capable new Physical Educator, Ms Melissa Worth, the course provided students with some great outdoor challenges. Mr Benjamin Young brought a breath of fresh air to the position of Sports Coordinator. His efforts in planning and organising Inter-School Sport and House Sports did not go unnoticed. Sports Electives from Year 9 level continued to provide students with interesting and varied challenges.

Throughout the year Physical Education students have been involved in Rock Climbing, Indoor Bowls, Racquet Ball, Aerobics, Swimming, Bike Riding, Golf,



Year 9



Around the camp fire

Surfing, Self Defence and Snow Skiing. Fiona Keech, our School Nurse has been conducting special Health sessions with students from Year 8 to 10. Year 8 students have completed work on "Puberty and Relationships", Year 9, "Sexually Transmitted Infections" while Year 10 students have completed the "Core of Life Program".

Mr. Bryan Walsh  
Health/PE Coordinator



Playing tennis



Adrian French



Working out



Sean Willis & Corey Axon



Fitness Test



# man of steel production



Chloe Ledgerd & the Junior Henchmen



Ella Hayes



"Ohhh wahh ohh"



"The Henchmen hatch an evil plan"



Melanie Engel & Adrian French



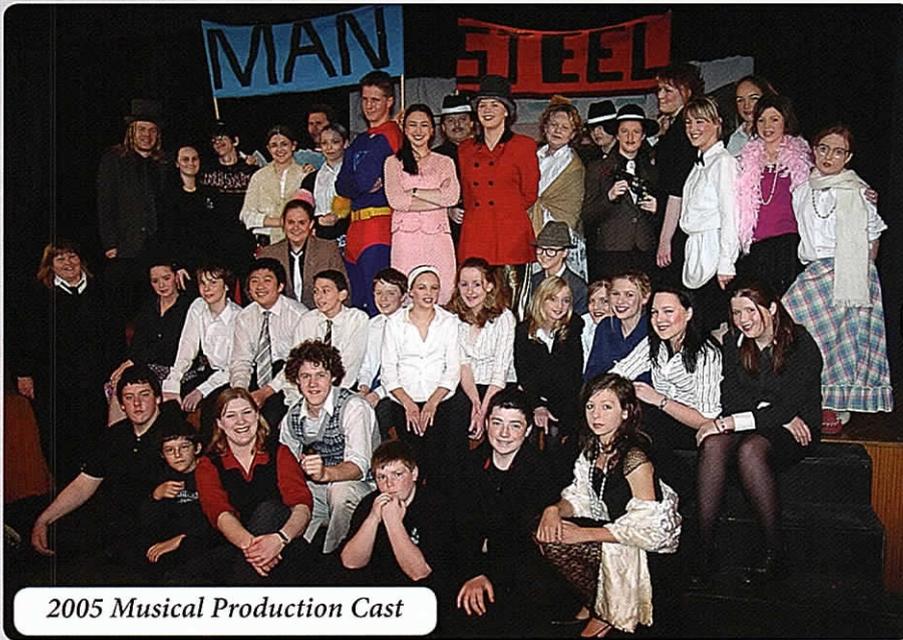
Paul King & Melissa Engel



Josh Watts



Mr Young struts his stuff!



2005 Musical Production Cast



The Costin brothers hard at work



Jeremy Lyon



Rose, Melanie, Debbie & Nicole



Man of Steel fan club



The Daily Trivia office



Greg Baker and the "loser girls"



Apprentice Henchmen



The newspaper staff "bust-a-move"



# drama report

**Fun...Busy Fun.**

I think that is the best way to sum up my first year as Drama Coordinator at Ashwood College.

Over the past 10 months the college has staged: "Man of Steel" Musical Production (56 member student cast).

Year 12 Open Night Performance.

Year 10 Ensemble Performance Evening.

Year 10 Solo Performance Evening.

And all this on top of the regular 7-10 classroom drama!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students and staff for their continued support with the preparation and running of this year's program.

The students have worked extremely hard and I'm sure that those of you who saw any of the performances will agree they did an outstanding job.

As a teacher, it has been an incredibly rewarding experience to work with such an enthusiastic, talented and friendly group of young people. I can't wait to work with them again next year.

Thanks everyone.

**Aidan McLaren.**  
Drama Coordinator



Yr 11/12 Open Night Performance



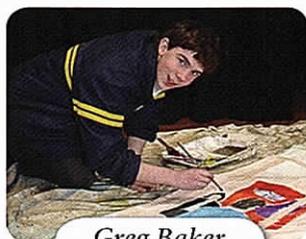
Sold out show!



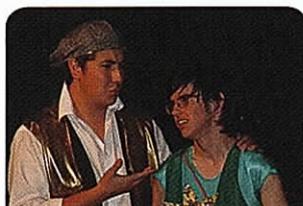
Yaacov Travitz



Who can wake Sleeping Beauty?



Greg Baker



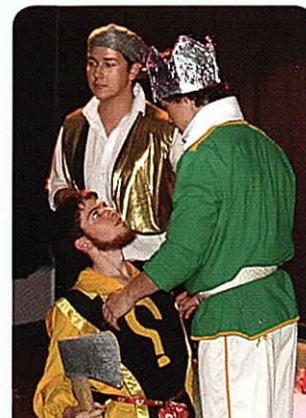
The MC consoles the irish Peter Pan



Working hard behind the scenes



"Sleeping Beauty" - Elly Hogg



The 7 dwarfs go toe to toe with Prince Swarmy



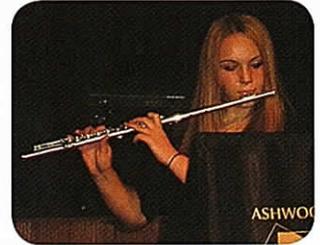
Melissa Engel



Rose Kinsella & Karina Liu



Junior Vocal Group



Nicole Pidgeon



Stage Band



Micaela Nally



Jessica Cahya



Production Band "Man of Steel"



Paul King & Jay Akers



Jess Parker



Stage Band



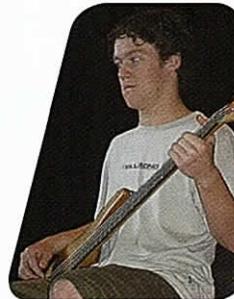
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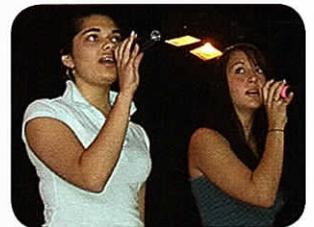
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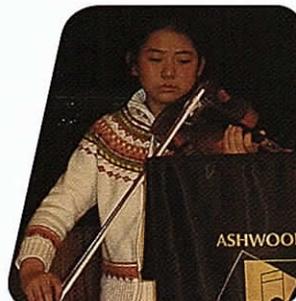
Hannah Van Reyk & Katharine Tsoucalas



Phil Norris



Chloe Ledgerd



Fay Hang



Jessica Pocock



## music report

**D**uring 2005, 92 students were involved in the Ashwood College Instrumental Program with many students taking part in the extra curricular music program.

### ASHWOOD COLLEGE MUSIC GROUPS:

- Ashwood College Stageband "StageOne"
- Year 7/8 band
- Year 9/10 Musicianship Class Band
- Year 8 Rock Band
- Senior Rock Band
- Junior Guitar Group
- Senior Vocal Trio
- Junior Vocal Group
- Musical Production Cast and Band
- The Thunderdrummers

And the many various small ensembles, (mixed combinations) who especially perform for Open Day and the End of Year Concert.

The Year 11 and 12 music students formed a committee to organise the Open Day performances due to my Long Service Leave during Term 2. They did a terrific job in organising and presenting the musical program on the night. Special thanks goes to Jenny Hall who coordinated this special event for our music students.

The senior students will also be organising the End of Year Concert with a carnival theme involving acrobatics, dancing, juggling, games, and of course lots of music to help create the atmosphere.

### MUSICAL EVENTS FOR 2005

- Numerous College Assemblies throughout the Year
- Ashwood College Open Day (Term 2)
- A.M.E.B exams (violin)
- Acoustic Musical Evening (Term 3)
- Musical Production "Man of Steel" (Term 3)
- Musicianship Solo Evening (Term 4)
- St Marks music visit for the elderly (Term 4)
- Cabrini Ashwood music visit (Term 4)
- End of Year "Carnival Concert"
- Presentation Assembly (Term 4)

### FAREWELLS

This year we say farewell to several Year 12 students who have formed a large part of the extra curricular music program. We would like to recognize the highly valuable contribution the following students have made to the Ashwood College Performing Arts Program over the past 6 years.

Paul King (Music Captain, Assistant Musical Director) Melissa Engel (School Captain, Production Vocal Coach) Simon Perkins, Tanya Harrington, Andrew Blyberg, Jacqui Ohlson, Mark Baker, Gemma John, Joanna Norriss, Adrienne Martin, Sean Butler, Hannah Van Reyk, Michael Susa.

I will certainly miss working with these talented students (in particular our Production Band of 2005 - Hannah, Jacqui, Paul, Michael and Melissa). I wish them all the very best for the future.



*"Man of Steel" Production Band 2005*

### MUSIC STAFF

A special thank you to our dedicated Instrumental Staff who make all of our performances

possible throughout the year. THANK YOU!

- Mrs Erica Ujma (violin, keyboard)
- Mrs Tania Kaev (vocal, keyboard)
- Mr Peter Simondson (guitar,bass)
- Mr Rod Pilois (percussion)
- Mr Peter Graham (brass)
- Ms Liz Clarke (woodwind)

A very special thankyou also to Mr Phil Norris (staff musician) and Mr Aidan McLaren who provided the staging, sound and lighting for all of our musical performances. We greatly appreciate your contribution.

**Felica Mundell**  
**Music Coordinator.**



## S.R.C report

What a busy year it has been in 2005 for the S.R.C! This year's members have proved to be an extremely dedicated and enthusiastic group who have been actively involved in a variety of school and community based activities.

- **School Aid Trust Tsunami Appeal** – \$270 was raised for Tsunami victims by hosting a BBQ lunch at the school swimming carnival.
- **Shave for a cure** – students and staff coloured their hair to help raise \$400 for the Leukaemia Foundation.
- **Jeans for Genes Day** – the SRC sold badges and held a casual dress day and raised \$400 for The Children's Medical Research Institute.
- **Red Shield Appeal** – a casual dress day was held and we raised \$250 for The Salvation Army. Raising a massive total of \$1000 for the State Schools Relief Fund to buy needy students uniforms, shoes and equipment.
- **World's Largest Lunch** – the staff were waited on by S.R.C members and served a roast chicken and salad lunch. Over \$200 was raised through staff donations.
- Supporting the school production "Man of Steel", by organising and running a refreshments canteen.
- Providing catering for parent-teacher evenings.
- Organising Ashwood College's Presentation Evening.

I would like to acknowledge the following students who have been pivotal in the successes of the S.R.C this year.

**President:** Sean Butler

**Vice President:** Nicky Adair

**S.R.C members:** Clara Zwack, Elly Hogg, Andrew Blyberg, Liana Butler, Tim Cooke, Jessica Greenway, Jamila Bird, Lida Aziz, Tegan Humpry, Tania Lloyd, and Katelyn Middleton.

**Jennifer Lewin**  
S.R.C Coordinator



*Tsunami BBQ crew*



*Feeding frenzy!*



*Cooking up a storm*



*SRC leaders in action*



*"Shave for A Cure"*



*The World's Largest Lunch*



*Sean was a handful for the SRC!*



*Liana & Sean serving lunch*



## my perspective

I am studying at Ashwood College and I am in 10B. I am from South Korea and I am one of the international students. I've been here for a year and a half.

When I first came to Ashwood College last year, it was exciting and I felt scared a little because at that time, I couldn't speak English well and felt shy to speak English to other people. I was worried that the Australian students of my age wouldn't be bothered with me. My school life is good. Students of my age and in my form asked me my name and where I was from. I am really happy and sometimes students ask me about something that they don't know. Through my experiences at school, I have learned many things.

Australia is so different from my country. For example, the culture of course, food, peoples way of thinking and school. Australian foods taste flat and fatty to me because my country's foods are very spicy and salty.

Australians usually have meats but Koreans usually have rice with other spicy dishes and sometime noodles. The differences in school life between Australia and Korea are very great. Australian school life is really relaxed and students do their homework or assessment tasks really comfortably. Korean school is harder. Going to school is hard work for Korean students. Most students in Korea attend school from 8 o'clock in the morning. Teachers give students too much homework. The schools finish at 11pm, if they have night self-study and most students go to educational institutions after school. (Korean parents want their son or daughter to study well at school and get good results in class and exams.) It's really fierce. It makes students really tired. So I like to study here. It's comfortable.

Teachers in Ashwood College are really kind to me and they have tried to help me when I get stuck in some work. I am really happy to be here.

I like to speak in English. I did not like that before, I hadn't realized that talking with people in other language is interesting. My English is improving. I study harder. I really want to talk more with people in English but sometimes my feelings are hurt, when people ignore me. I think that makes me study more. I think that is one part of the process of learning English.

### Shinjoo Noh 10B International Student





## library and learning technologies *report*

**W**hy is Mars red? Ask our Year Seven students who answered this question along with many others in the Astronomy Internet Research Skills Challenge. The race was on to efficiently find all the correct answers from the Internet. Search skills were refined to get answers quickly. Sites were evaluated for authority and reliability. No, Mars is not red because “it is made up of thousands of Mars bars” as one web site suggests.

Internet activities such as this are used in the Library to develop student research skills, essential in our IT dominated world. Prior to this activity students worked in teams using specific resource types (reference books, non fiction books, newspapers/magazines, the Internet, online subscription services) to determine the best resource for different types of questions. To the surprise of some, the Internet was not always the most efficient or effective source. Books and other print resources do still have much to offer.

Speaking of books, the fiction collection was in great demand particularly with our Year 7 to 9 students participating in the ‘Premiers Reading Challenge’. The wide range of books on offer meant there was something for everyone – fantasy, adventure, romance, humour, mystery and sport to name a few of the popular genres available.

Lunchtimes continued to see a variety of activities in the Library. Popular software such as ‘Maths Circus Act’, ‘Hoyle’s Word Games’ and ‘Crocodile Chemistry’ entertained and educated many. Creativity and technology were combined by students using PowerPoint to make animated slide shows. Chess, scrabble and card games were always on the go. The book worms curled up on a comfortable chair for a pleasant read. (For those who may have been left wondering, the colour of Mars is due to the iron oxide in the soil.)

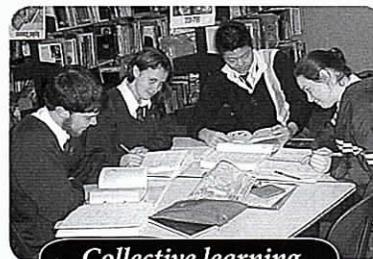
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Information Services/Accountability Manager



*A study in concentration*



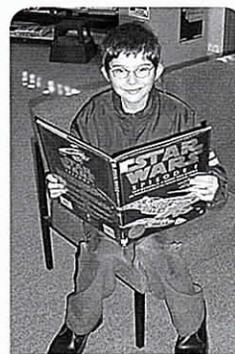
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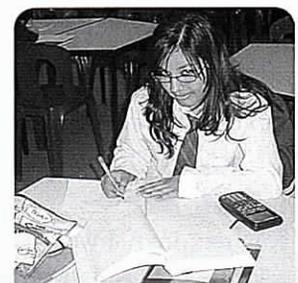
*Collective learning*



*Checkmate!*



*I'm in my element*



*Calculating success*



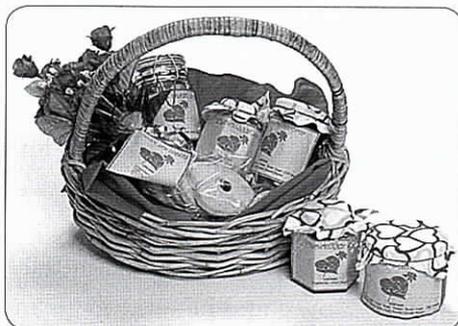
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*"Teacher-in-training"*



*Jonathon Hrambaris & Facfity Seu*



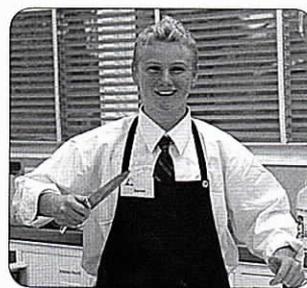
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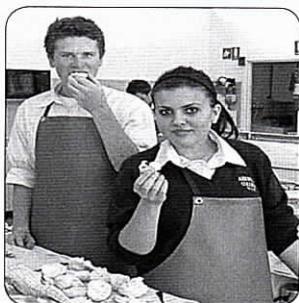
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*VCAL students at work*



*Aaron Cain*



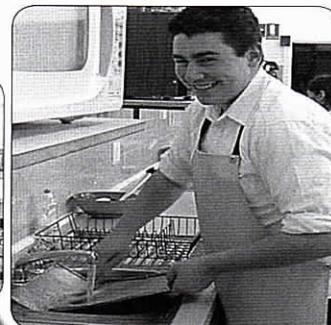
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*Hamper - Jack Hayes*



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*Peter Gatzonis*



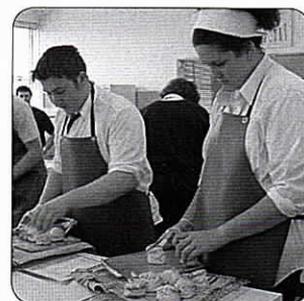
*Ryan Minns & Jack Yang*



*Michael MacDonald & Peter Gatzonis*



*Zac Avdimiotis*



*Hilmy Abdic & Leon Shearer*



## zajda

I sat next to Bubba and noticed how she twiddled her thumbs; her immaculately groomed nails spinning in a gesture of frustration. I was trying not to look at Zajda's arm, scratched and torn. Who would do this to my Zajda? Who would hurt him like this? I knew too well the answer; it was not an act of cruelty but of desperation and depression. My own Zajda had done this to himself. I was upset and angry. How could he want to go and leave me? I needed him, the whole family did. But as I looked across into the eyes of my dear old Zajda, I knew that he was trying to get better. I realised that with every ones love and support my Zajda would be okay.

Winston Churchill used to say that depression was his black dog, that lurked around him coming out when he least expected it. My Zajda has a black dog, a black dog born of the Auschwitz and Dachau concentration camps, a black dog he suppressed for fifty years that was now howling to be heard.

Zajda was born Nachum Schweitzer in Bedzin Poland in 1925. The third child of cooking oil merchants, Ichak and Rebecca Schweitzer. He grew up with a large extended family; older brother Myer, older sister Sala, younger brother Szmul and a legion of loving aunts, uncles and cousins. For the first thirteen years Zajda's life was one of exploring, playing ball and freedom, then in the summer of 1939 schools shut down, and suddenly Germans in uniforms were everywhere. Despite arrests and transportations the family managed to stay together until the autumn of 1943.

Everyone was sorted on arrival at Auschwitz, but healthy seventeen year olds had a good chance. Zajda was a big boy so he was spared the gas chamber and sent to work camp for the next two years of his life. Zajda won't talk about his time there, he says he can't remember. I know how hard it must have been for Zajda. I can not begin to imagine what he went through. Zajda was liberated in 1945, at the age of nineteen. Zajda tells me "I lost my whole family, I didn't find anyone."

The displaced persons' camp provided well. "We came to the camp and we were free". Zajda met Fredja,

my Bubba, and both found in each other love, strength and companionship which they've continued to share for sixty years.

Zajda and Bubba had a friend, Deena, whose father escaped to Australia before the war. When he discovered Deena survived he sent for her to come to Australia, and Deena in turn organised for Zajda and Bubba to join them. Four weeks of seasickness lay ahead. Bubba was pregnant with my uncle and became very ill, so it was organised that she would travel, from Fremantle to Melbourne, on a plane by herself. Zajda and Bubba arrived in Australia and begun to create their new life together. They had their freedom, they had each other, they had their chance to begin again. The best thing is freedom but life is still a struggle in a foreign country. Zajda and Bubba started straight away to "catch the language". They lived in one room of a housing commission flat with a shared kitchen and a baby on the way. Zajda immediately found employment as a carpenter. Although the first two months were difficult, a wonderful joy was found in the birth of their first child, my uncle Issy.

Zajda tried many jobs to support his growing family, during this time they moved ten times in five years. With the birth of their second beautiful boy, my dad Ron, Zajda and Bubba were glad to put a deposit on a large house in East St.Kilda. Unfortunately due to bad advice they decided to sell their house and instead purchase a fruit shop. This and the next fruit shop failed, leaving them with nothing.

Zajda and Bubba borrowed money from friends and tried again, buying a milk bar in Collingwood. Perhaps you know the corner, Johnston and Hoddle, they were able to augment their income with payments from tow repair companies after tip offs of accidents. Sleeping was difficult. The two boys were very helpful; as Zajda and Bubba knew little about the "goodies" they sold. Issy and Ron knew the different kinds of ice creams and drinks, they sorted out the ice creams into the freezer and drinks into the fridge. During the busy season; "at Easter time or when the football was on at Collingwood footy ground" Issy and Ron



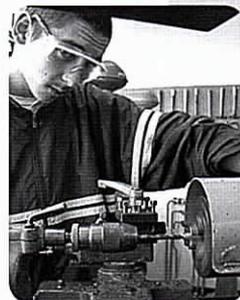
helped serving the customers. "They even gave us a week's holiday to have a break". They also helped to eat the chocolate bars- especially Mars bars.

Zajda always had a great work ethic in his determination to create a new life. After ten years in the Collingwood milk bar, Zajda and Bubba bought the Herbert Adams cake shop in Southland - a profitable but exhausting business. Zajda liked to work hard, perhaps as a distraction. Working life was only disturbed by the occasional trips overseas to locate missing relatives; there were so few left, and then only Bubbas relatives. I came to understand why he kept so busy, trying to dodge his 'black dog'. I also grew to appreciate how brave Zajda was to recreate his life with Bubba.



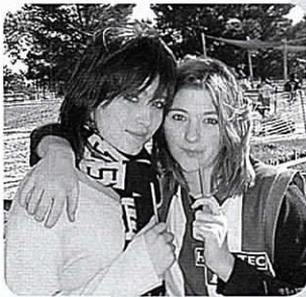
It was Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> of June, I was at Zajda and Bubbas house to celebrate Shavuot. Seated around the table were my parents, uncle Issy, his wife, aunty Suzanne, Zajda and Bubba and the four grandchildren: Oliver, Edward, Zvi and myself. Zajda said "good yomtov" he looked happy; with his family he was always happy. The very thing that was taken away from him he was now surrounded by. We all chanted "good yomtov" in reply. Bubba served the Gefilte fish, Zvi ate three huge pieces. "Zajda" I said "after dinner can I read you a story I wrote, it's a biography about you". Zajda smiled.

Zoe Schweitzer





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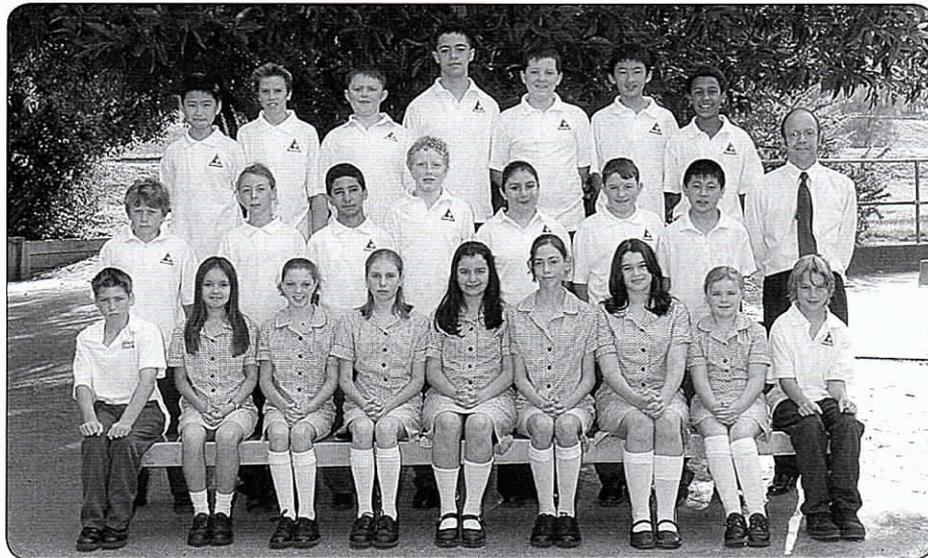




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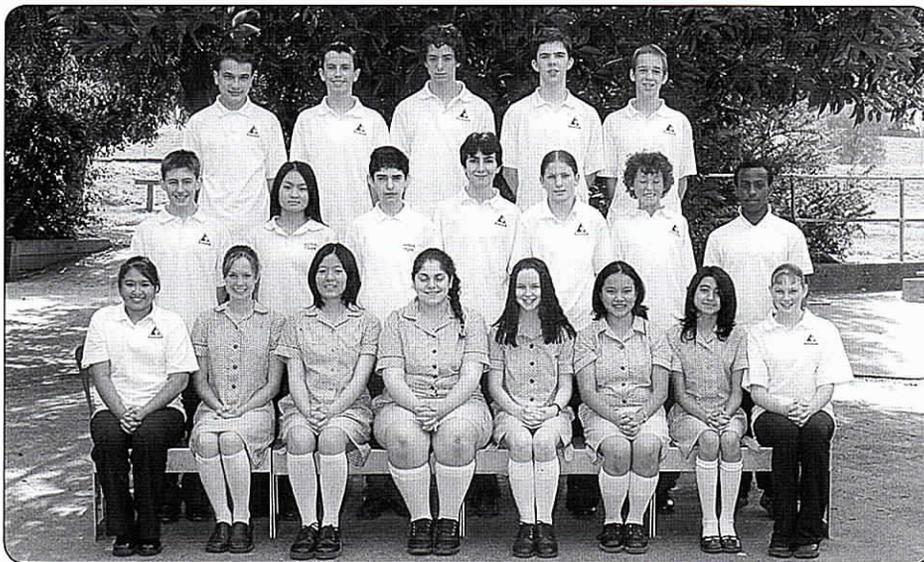


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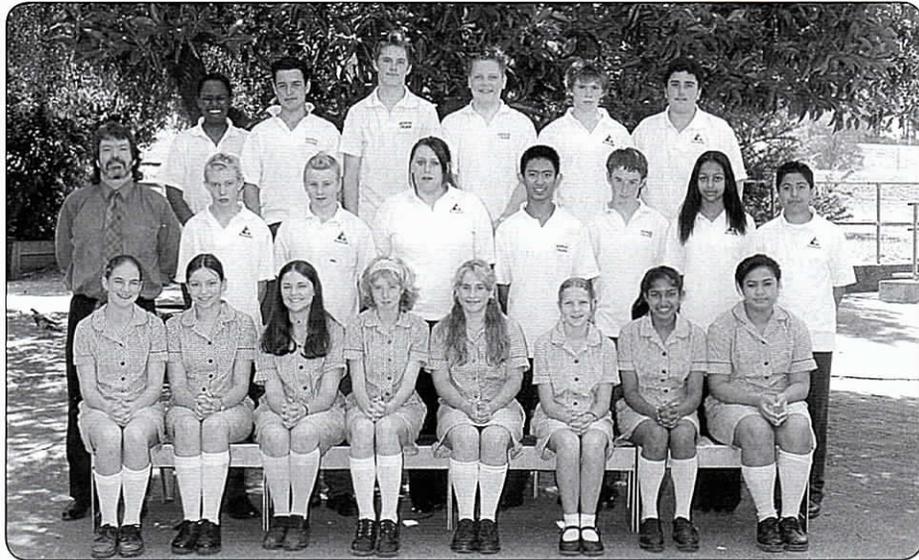


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Middle Row: Mr Baston, Kane Yandell, Aaron Cain, Elise Flocas, Winsy Caliza-Knoll, Owen Dyball, Hannan Abdullahi, Martyn Van Reyk

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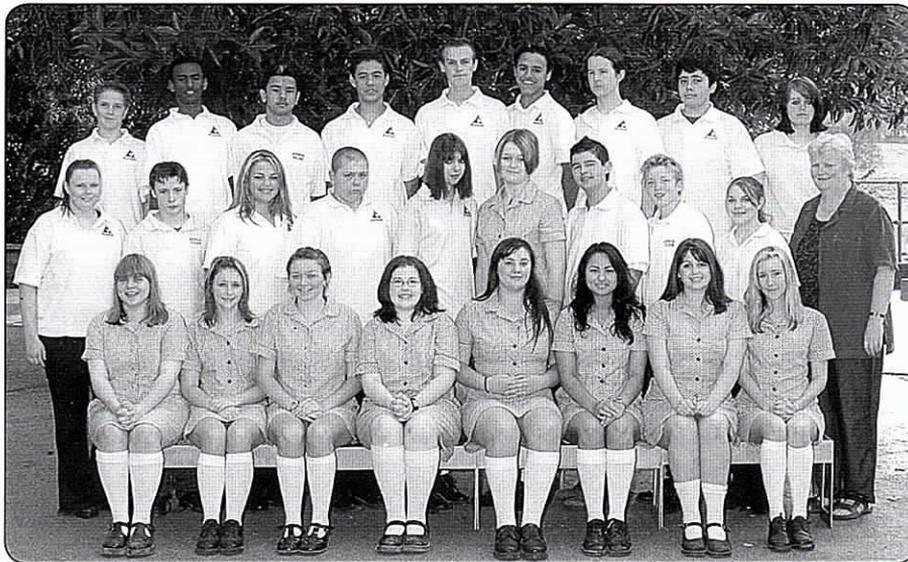


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Front Row: Daniel Orsini, Ashley Taylor, Chanelle Bresnan, Courtney Capes, Deanna Mizzi, Bonnie Jackson, Ella Hayes, Jake Chapman



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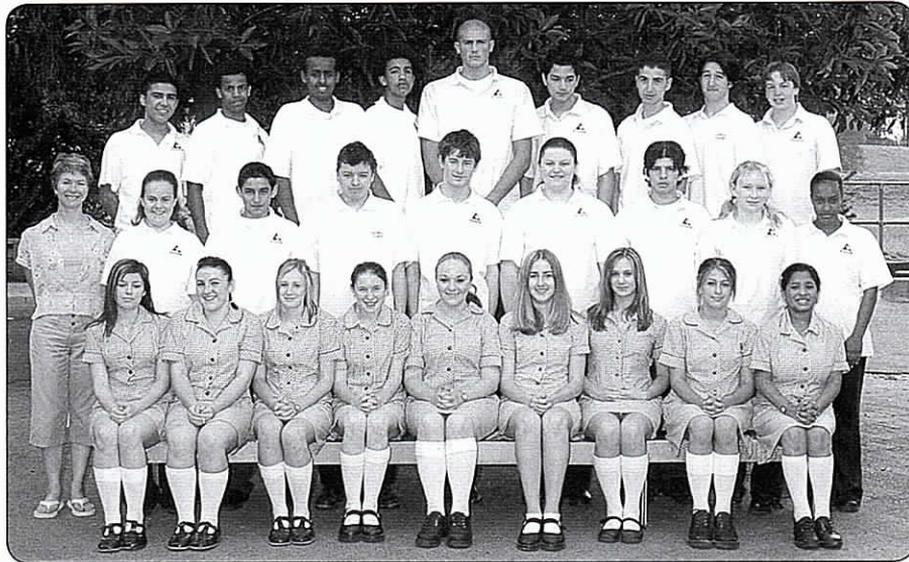


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Front Row: Jade McNamara, Jamie Bouchier, Beth Hallam, Alexandra March, Nicole Anderson, Ines Carnat, Alison Sengstock, Justine Cox, Zenobia Balsara

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 4<sup>th</sup> Row: Rick Hemphill, Daniel Giffin, Minlong Zhang, Victoria Seeto, Yeo-Sol Kim, Dylan Baker, Kosta Tsioris, Joshua Callaghan, Brett Mesley, Homid Salehi, Chris Hood, Tariq Masoud, Ramin Masoud, Krista Nelson, Kim Anderson  
 5<sup>th</sup> Row: Kevin Lay, Luke Rossborough, Hilmy Abdic, Fitu Seu, Farrell Rogan, Anthony Bull, Adam Suleiman, Thomas Silk, Matthew Norton, Steve Poutakidis, Joshua Newsome, Ashley Snelleksz, Bradley Hunter, Adam Priestley  
 Back Row: Steven Vardounitios, Christopher Goldstraw, Timothy Cooke, Andrew Petrolo, Harry Bennetts, Zubare Balsara, Jason Akers, Adrian French, Peter Austin, Ryan Cook, Leon Shearer, Michael MacDonald, Colby Waterfield, Saleem Fatah

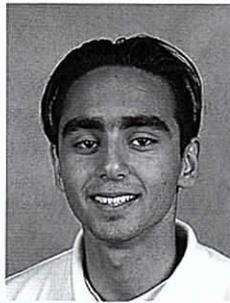




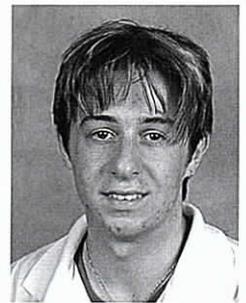
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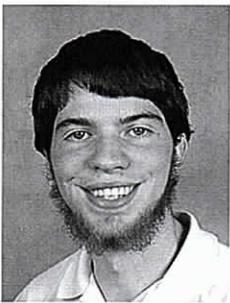
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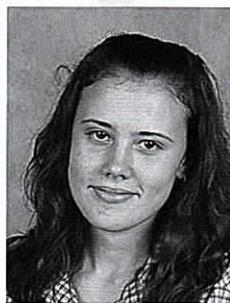
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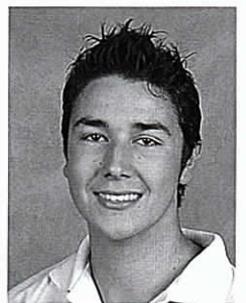
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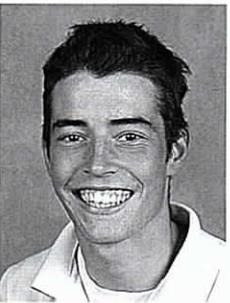
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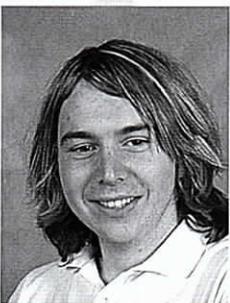
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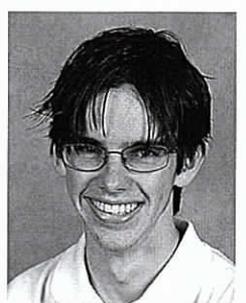
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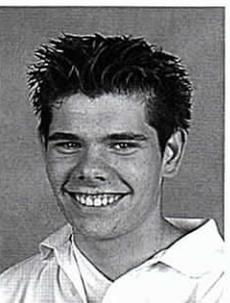
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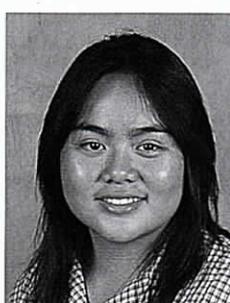
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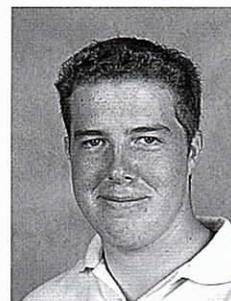
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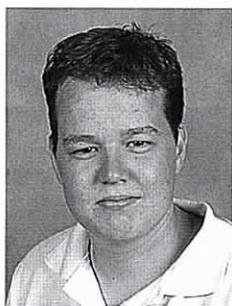
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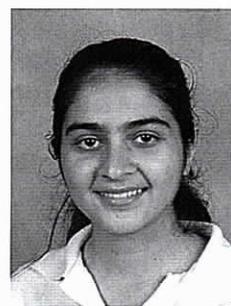
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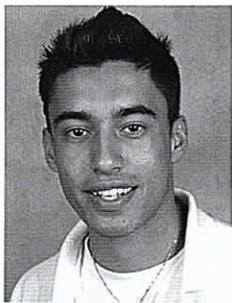
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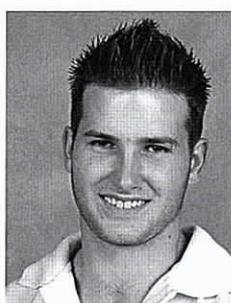
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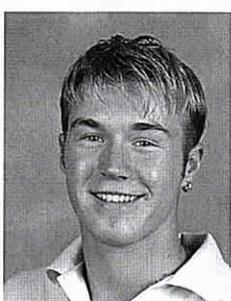
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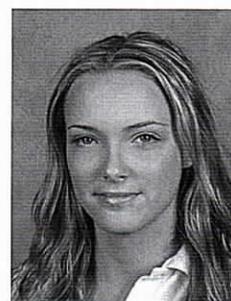
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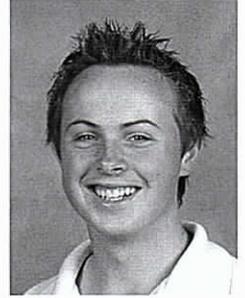
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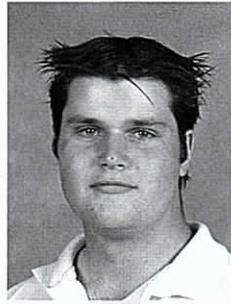
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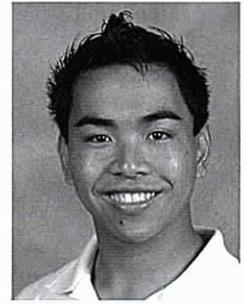
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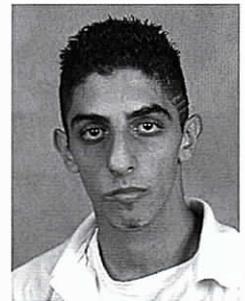
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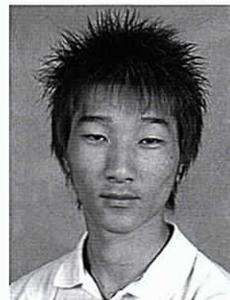
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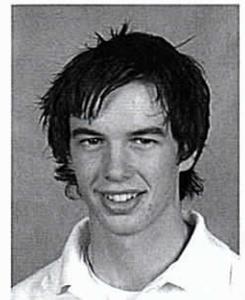
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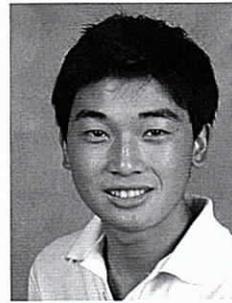
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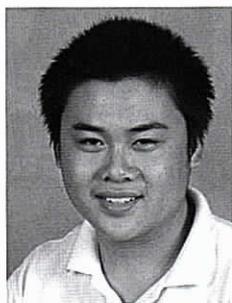
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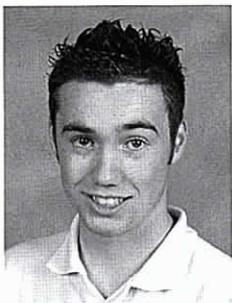
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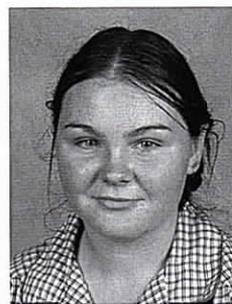
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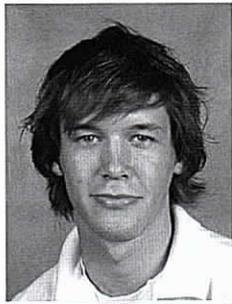
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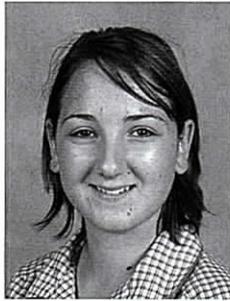
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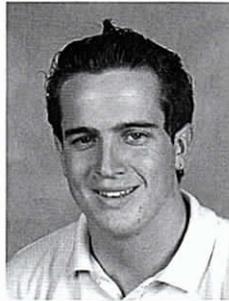
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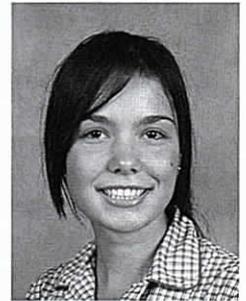
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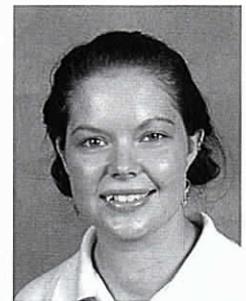
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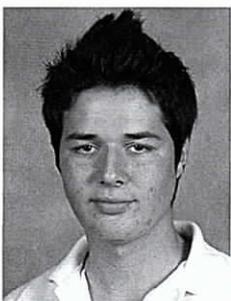
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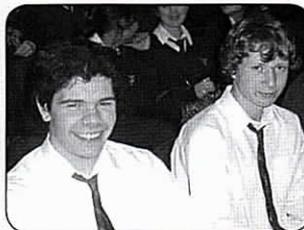
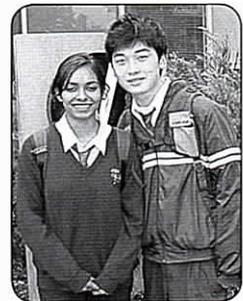
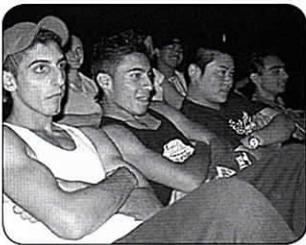
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*Greg Zilberman*



*Luke Zimmer*





## school captains *report*

**a**shwood College has seen its forty-fifth year pass, and a new line up has replaced an old one. Over the past forty-five years, many faces have come in and out of the college, each with a different story. But no matter what their story is, one thing is for sure, Ashwood College has once again said goodbye to another group of year 12 students ready to take on the world. As we go, a new breed comes in.

The new troop of year 7's quiet and nervous, ready for the next 6 years of the challenge that Ashwood College provides. Their journey may seem long and sometimes never-ending, but the infinite number of pathways that the college has to offer, assure that the time will fly by. For some, the path they choose may not be clear, but for others, it seems their paths are already written.

For the dinosaurs of year 12 a deadline was set for making their life-changing decisions as the preferences for their further education were made by late

September. However, these life-changing decisions are not only made by the year 12's. Students beginning year 10 have to decide whether they want to continue their secondary education or perhaps take an apprenticeship, enroll in the VCAL program or even enter the workforce. The end of the school-year is a good time to look back, but a great time to look forward to their exciting futures. As the year 12's begin to make a start on their future endeavours it also brings a time to farewell Ashwood College and everything it has offered. We have been told many times that the last year of our schooling lives are the most memorable to us; it is only now that we begin to realise it.

So long, farewell and good luck with your future aspirations.

**Melissa Engel and Andrew Blyberg**  
School Captains

**Paul King**  
Music Captain



Back Row: Chris Goldstraw, Paul King, Hugh Francis, Andrew Blyberg, Sean Butler  
Front Row: Elly Hogg, Joanna Norriss, Kate Long (Principal), Clara Zwack, Melissa Engel



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