DEAR PARENTS, STAFF, STUDENTS & FRIENDS

THE WIZ; A MUSICAL THAT TELLS US TO BELIEVE IN OURSELVES!

Thanks to our magnificent production team and casts: ‘THE WIZ’ has been a huge success. Most importantly it allowed in excess of 80 students to experience a strong sense of self belief that they are capable of achieving greatness. To learn to believe in yourself was the theme of this production. Students with support from the production team of teachers devoted many hours after school, on weekends and school holidays developing their exceptional talents. Our dedicated production team enabled these students to have a special learning experience. We are all indebted to Ms Kristie Vidotto, (Director), Ms Brie Gibson (Assistant Director), Mr Travis De Valle (Producer), Ms Laura Pitt (Choreographer), Ms Amy Sapwell and Ms Sally Bredin (Musical Directors) for their incredible contribution. Also thanks to Ms Kim Wootton (amazing sets!!), and Ms Lee-Anne Waters (brilliant costumes/makeup). Thanks to our community of family, students, staff and friends who attended performances. It is your support that also allows our students to develop this positive sense of self belief which we all need to get the most out of life.

COLD AND WET WORKING BEE!

On 3 June, the real stalwart members of our community attended a freezing cold and wet working bee. Thanks to those parents, staff and students who worked tirelessly in such inclement weather to make a difference to our grounds. Substantial indigenous planting occurred whilst the creations of Ms Georgie Stein’s and Ms Lynn Keating’s art classes were installed in Bishop’s Court. We are excited with our progress in planting indigenous plants, since we are further enhancing our reputation as a leading sustainable school by contributing to the wildlife corridor that exists across our city. A huge thank you to Ms Lee Anne Smith who motivated the troops to make such progress.

STUDENTS AND TEACHERS WELL PREPARED FOR THE EXAMS

Over the last few weeks, students have been giving of their best to prepare for exams. Teachers of senior classes have worked tirelessly to provide lunchtime classes, revision lectures and individual and small group support to ensure all Year 12 students were well prepared for their exams. In addition we offered a new initiative, opening the school on two successive weekends for students to practise exams under exam conditions. This initiative will also be offered at the end of the year. Many thanks to Ms Helen Wilson who sacrificed her weekend break to make this opportunity available for our students. Parents and teachers need to join together in reminding our students that during the revision period, by which time they should have a sound understanding of the knowledge and skills taught, students should be completing a minimum of eight practice exams under timed exam conditions. I am also pleased to report that all exam supervisors commented on how well behaved, friendly and courteous our Year 12 students undertaking exams were.
Many thanks to Ms Sarah Toovey who organised a wonderful Year 12 formal so ably assisted by Senior Coordinators. I felt privileged to be amongst such a wonderful group of young people who had a great night and were most polite in thanking the staff for providing such an enjoyable evening. The staff at the Mornington Racecourse commented on how well behaved and courteous our students were. I am immensely proud of this Year 12 cohort who have stepped up considerably, to give of their best in their studies. They were most deserving of this light relief before Unit 4 begins.

REPORTS PROVIDE A TIME FOR REFLECTION AND PLANNING
I have been in awe of our teachers who have spent many weekends and long nights burning the midnight oil to provide our students and their families with comprehensive Semester 1 reports. These reports provide students and families with detailed information regarding progress and also suggestions for future improvement. I recommend that parents and students discuss these reports and develop a plan for future improvement. If you wish to contact a teacher of a subject you have concerns with, please do so and our teachers will be most willing to make suggestions as part of this future planning process.

So much has been achieved by our great staff and students throughout the term. Cause for celebration is never ending at our great school. I thank all members of the community for your ongoing support and wish you all a happy relaxing time with your family over the holiday period, to return recharged for another fantastic term of teaching and learning.

John Albiston
Principal

SEEKING HOST FAMILIES
Mrs Anne Thomson
Community Liaison Coordinator

URGENTLY SEEKING HOST FAMILIES FOR OUR SPONSORED SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENT

I am urgently seeking host families from Sunday 22 July to host Calista Madlala for a period of 2-3 weeks at a time for the remainder of the year.

Each year Frankston High School sponsors one female student from Soweto, South Africa who will complete Year 11 at our school. This year our student is Calista, who was selected according to her potential to graduate. The schools sponsorship provides her with the opportunity to experience life and learning in a privileged environment.

Please contact Anne Thomson if you can host Calista or for further information on 0409 835 541 or athomson@fhs.vic.edu.au

YEAR 12 EXAMS
Thank you to our supervisors, in particular our Chief Supervisor Bev Valentine, for administering the VCAA exams in Psychology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics, Biology, Accounting and the GAT last week. Our students’ behaviour was exemplary and we look forward to our students’ results in August.

YEAR 11 EXAMS
Year 11 students have just completed two weeks of end of semester exams in all studies. Thank you to our teachers for preparing, supervising and marking the exams and providing valuable feedback to the students on their progress to date. Thank you also to Mrs Ellen D’Ambra and Mr Con Neratzoglou for organising and overseeing the exams.

END OF SEMESTER REPORTS
End of semester reports will be posted home to Senior School students at the end of term. This is a comprehensive report detailing your child’s progress for the first half of the year. It provides families with the opportunity to celebrate achievements and develop an action plan for future improvement. If parents have any enquiries concerning their child’s progress, please do not hesitate to contact the subject teachers or Year Level Coordinators.

YEAR 12 FORMAL
Congratulations to our Year 12 students on a very successful Year 12 Formal on Thursday 14 June at the Mornington Racecourse. It was a wonderful night and an excellent way to finish and celebrate the end of Semester 1.

The students’ behaviour was outstanding and many were still dancing when the night concluded at 11.30 pm. Thank you to Ms Sarah Toovey and Mrs Maree Granger for their excellent organisation of the evening. Thank you also to the staff who attended: Mr John Albiston, Mrs Maree Granger, Ms Sarah Toovey, Mr Con Neratzoglou, Mrs Ellen D’Ambra, Mr Matt Parker, Ms Suzanne Caldwell, Mr Travis de Valle and Ms Clare Challenger.

YEAR 12 TERTIARY INFORMATION SESSION
On Tuesday 19 June, Year 12 students attended an important Tertiary Information Session at Monash University, Peninsula Campus. Students were presented with a wealth of invaluable information in a presentation by our Careers Practitioner, Mrs Carolyn Walsh and then had the opportunity to visit a tertiary expo where they could talk with representatives from tertiary institutions and collect valuable information on courses.

Year 12 students should be planning their future learning pathway and investigating tertiary options over the upcoming school holidays.

Thank you to Mrs Carolyn Walsh for organising this important event for our students.
YEAR 11 INSPIRATION DAY
Our Year 11 students attended an Inspiration Day at Monash University, Peninsula Campus on Friday 22 June. Several motivational speakers on the day, including our Principal, Mr John Albiston, explained to the students the importance of goal setting and planning for a future career. The students were fortunate in that we had access to the university all day and students were able to break out into groups based on their chosen interest areas in tertiary study. I would like to thank Monash University for providing this opportunity to our students. This day was invaluable to students in terms of learning about tertiary courses and prerequisites in what is an important time of the year, as the Year 11 students begin the course counselling process and subject selection for Year 12.

Thank you to Mrs Carolyn Walsh for organising the day and Mrs Ellen D’Ambra and Mr Con Neratzoglou for their assistance with this day.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GEMMA MURPHY YEAR 11
Gemma has been selected to attend the UBS Finance Academy at Sancta Sophia College, Sydney University from Monday 9 July - Friday 13 July 2012.

Gemma is to be congratulated on this achievement as only 50 students have been chosen from public schools in Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales and Victoria.

The UBS Finance Academy, established in 2003, offers selected students an opportunity to explore and learn about a wide range of career opportunities in finance and develop new relationships with their peer group from other schools.

THANK YOU TO SENIOR SCHOOL TEACHERS
As the first semester draws to a close, I would like to thank the Senior School teachers for their excellent work and commitment to the students over the semester. Their tireless hours of work, both in and out of the classroom, is outstanding to ensure students maximise their learning outcomes and performance.

Finally, I would like to wish all students and parents a pleasant and relaxing holiday. It is an excellent opportunity to “recharge the batteries” ready for what will be a very important Term 3.

REMEMBER TO STUDENTS DRIVING TO SCHOOL
Any student of legal driving age who intends to drive to school, either on a regular basis or occasionally, must comply with the school requirements and is required to complete the Parent Permission and Student Agreement Form. These forms are available from the Senior Office and outlines the policies and procedures.
Parents are reminded that DEECD and Frankston High School do not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and Guardians are responsible for the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including transport costs.

Parent accident insurance policies are available for purchase through JUA Underwriting (ph 9909 7480).

Parents are also reminded that DEECD and Frankston High School do not provide insurance for personal possessions of any description, including motor vehicles, for damage or theft at school or on the school grounds.

Fourteen students from Lycée Jean Zay in Orléans, France are giving up their summer holidays to practise their English language skills on us! By the end of their stay, they will be perfectly at home with our Aussie slang: bicky, barbie, jammies, telly... as long as they don't take a 'sickie' in our winter weather! We rely on our wonderful families to care for them whilst they are with us, and 35 of our fabulous Frankston families have opened their homes to welcome these ambassadors from France.

Please say 'bonjour' and practise your French as you make them welcome! The French students will be with us until August, sharing our classes and family lifestyles. Then a group of Frankston High School students will visit them in Orléans in September, having their turn at learning all about another country from the inside.
SCHOOL PRODUCTION—’THE WIZ’
Ms Kristie Vidotto
School Production Director 2012

Another year, another successful production! Frankston High School’s 2012 production of The Wiz saw a young girl lost in a strange world making new and wonderful friends, witches of both the good and wicked varieties, flying monkeys, evil KISS-inspired creatures, excitable Munchkins and slave-driven Winkies. We wanted a show which would highlight the talents of so many of our students, would be exciting and entertaining, would appeal to audiences of all ages and would, most importantly, be a fun and enjoyable experience for our students. We felt that this show and the many, many opportunities for students to shine was the perfect choice. Who could forget the amazing, angelic Dorothy (Charisse Johansson and Lauren Tattersall) who won over our hearts, the silly Scarecrow (Aimee Chambers and Hannah Vale) who couldn’t stand still, the lovable Lion with a heart of gold (Zachary Kearney and Jordan Dearsley) and the slick, Bieber/Elvis inspired Tinman (Dylan Bampton and Thomas Williams)? Who could forget the moment when Glinda (Toni Rolleston) descended the stairway in poignant song? Who could forget the Winged Monkey (Joshua Farrell) and his gang making the audience jump out of their seats in fright? Who could forget theominous feeling the Wiz (Emma Legg) evoked behind her mask and voice morpher? Who could forget the sassy Addaperle (Amelia Dunn) whose magic powers seemed to have disappeared? Who could forget Evillene’s (Amy Porter) screeching and screaming? Who could forget the beautiful Poppies? Who could forget the Munchkins in their fluoro playground? Who could forget Ethan Mehméd’s moustache? The unforgettable moments are endless, and they will live on in the hearts and memories of all those involved in this production for years to come.

The dedication and hard work of our students this year astounded me; they all worked tirelessly to ensure they presented a performance to be proud of, and that they, and their families and friends, remember for years to come. Their hard work, dedication and limitless talents never failed to impress me as we progressed from auditions to rehearsals, and ultimately to the marvellous George Jenkins Theatre. Words cannot express how proud I am of every single student who was involved in this production – both backstage and on stage – and how grateful I am that we are given the opportunity to see our students shine every year.

Thank you to the Frankston High School community – Principal class, School Council, staff, parents and friends – for your support of our students’ passion.

BRING ON 2013!

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS
Mr Brendan McKinnon
Sustainability Coordinator

In an effort to be more sustainable Frankston High School has:
- Conducted an energy audit of its grounds (both Senior and 7—10 Campuses)
- Applied for, and received a grant to help retrofit campuses with energy saving technologies — as a result LED lights will be installed with sensors
- A student environmental group — they are active amongst their peers and, amongst many other things, present environmental workshops at the local primary school, attend student environmental conferences, and run school based environmental activities
- Student conducted environmental impact checks
- A staff environmental group that endeavours to educate staff and students
- A Sustainability Coordinator — who is given time allowance to educate staff and students, implement environmental strategies and facilitate any environmental change
- A water tank that is connected to toilets on the Years 7 — 10 side
- A relationship with the Frankston Environmental Friends Network — as a result of this a workshop was held at the school on Tuesday 29 May (4:00 pm - 6:00 pm) to do with local wildlife
- An announcement at the end of each school day that recognises the need to turn all powered equipment off
- Installed water machines in an effort to promote students filling their own water bottles, rather than purchasing ‘Mount Franklin’ bottles
- Promoted sustainable procurement amongst faculties
- ‘Turn Off’ signage being introduced to all rooms
- Signage pointing out that heaters should be set to a maximum of 22 degrees
- A community garden being developed
- Decided to take part in National Tree Planting Day
- Have Eco — Switches placed in office areas
- Communicate environmental messages through different types of meetings
- Use environmental surveys to understand attitudes
- Use FSC approved paper products (with certificates)
- And trialled different photocopier papers.

PFA MEETING
Mrs Annette Wallace — President

Our next PFA meeting is on Tuesday 14 August at 7.30 pm in the Conference Room 7-10 Campus.

Our guest speaker will be Carolyn Walsh, Careers Coordinator, who will do a presentation for us ‘Vet in Schools — changing the landscape’.

This is a great opportunity to help our children with their school pathways.

All are welcome.
SLC NEWS  
James Savage – Yr 10 Captain and  
Hugh McNeill – Year 9 Captain  

CASUAL DRESS DAY  
On Friday 1 June, the second Casual Dress Day for 2012 was held. Students from the SLC and Year 9 LEAD class joined together to collect the money from students, with help from the Year 7 and Year 8 Class Captains. The proceeds are donated to COSO (Cambodia Orphan Save Organisation), which our school has worked with during the 2011 World Challenge Expedition. The day was an overall success and the amount raised came to a total of $1943.95, which is fantastic when only $2.00 can buy three meals for a child in Cambodia! Well done to all the Frankston High School students who took part and raised money for this very worthy cause.

STAFF V STUDENT NETBALL MATCH  
On 1 June, staff and students competed in a netball match, as part of the entertainment for Casual Dress Day. It was a very close match, but the teachers ended up winning by just two goals! Many thanks to the Senior School A and Middle School A Girls Netball Teams for competing, as well as all staff involved.

SLC WAS PROUD TO PRESENT—ALANNA DEUTROM IN CONCERT  
This concert was held on 25 June at lunchtime in the Hall.

All were welcome — a gold coin donation was requested for the REACH Foundation.

Alanna is a former Frankston High School student, who is making a name for herself in the music world.

Check out her music on her Youtube channel [http://www.youtube.com/user/alannadeutrommusic](http://www.youtube.com/user/alannadeutrommusic).

HOLOCAUST VISIT  
Ms Sue Robinson — VCAL Teacher  
On Thursday 17 May, several classes visited the Holocaust Museum in Elsternwick. The classes that attended were two Year 11 History classes, a Year 11 Psychology class, and a Year 12 VCAL class. The following is one students’ impression of how the excursion impacted on them...

Tiffany Candy Year 11  
I learnt to not think about the six million Jews who were killed as a figure, but as people, because those people were mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, etc.

Visiting the Holocaust Museum is important because you learn from those who’ve experienced it all, and you get to hear their terrifying stories, and it makes you really appreciate the life we have now. I found it quite emotional as the Jews had done nothing wrong, and were considered pests — even young children.

To hear the survivors’ stories really puts into perspective what evil humans are capable of, but also how easily people can be influenced into believing someone is good. Before this excursion, I had never thought about Jewish families being torn apart, or never having the chance to say goodbye, and a child (like our speaker) losing their family without having the chance to say goodbye to any of them.

I admire the survivors for their strength and will to live, as our speaker had lost everyone who he knew and was alone.

Are you a girl aged 12 — 18 years and looking for a fun low cost after school activity? Have you thought of joining Girl Guides?!?!

Well, now here is your chance to try it out for yourself!!! Units in Frankston are currently looking for girls to come and join the fun!! Where we do everything you can imagine, and more.

Girls Guides is a program run by girls for girls and teaches skills that will be of benefit through your life. If you are aged 14 or over, you could also join as a Junior Leader.

If you are interested or just want more information, then please contact Katrina at frankstongirlguides@live.com.au and leave your contact details.

STUDENT BELONGINGS  
Students are advised not to bring expensive belongings to school other than equipment required for learning.

Frankston High School Council does not have the authority to reimburse parents or replace students’ personal belongings that are lost or stolen.

For security purposes parents please remind your children to always ensure personal belongings are placed in their lockers and then locked with their padlock.
**TALK WITH THE OLYMPIANS**

**CHARLOTTE BROWN 7L**

On Wednesday 23 May the Frankston High School Sports Leadership Committee visited Mornington Secondary Collage to have a talk with some champions that have raced in the Olympics. The Olympians were Nicole Livingstone – Swimming, Warwick Draper – Kayak and Linley Frame – Swimming. Warwick Dapper is going to the London Olympic Games. They talked about “what it took to be an Olympian and all the training involved”

Nicole Livingstone told us that when she was younger she did not have the pleasure of having friends her age to go and play with because she was always travelling from place to place with her swimming. When you’re an Olympian you are always training.

One of the good things about being an Olympian is when you do go there is a place called the Olympic village. It is where all the Olympians go when they are at the Olympic Games. It has literally everything there from Mc Donald’s to massages and is very good fun.

Warwick and Nicole also said “you are friends with your oppositions, but when you’re in the pool or on the track they are like your enemies because you want to beat them, but after you are friends again”

Nicole has always been a really good swimmer and she told us that all the training and hard work and effort pays of when you’re at the Olympics. Warwick only started kayaking when he was 16. It started with him and a couple of his friend just kayaking in the local pool. Warwick’s event is a solo event so was Nicole’s event. While Warwick is doing his event (kayaking), Nicole will be hosting the swimming.

I think Frankston High Schools Sports Leadership Committee gained a lot of knowledge from the talk with the champions. It was a good experience for us all.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

**Mrs Barbara Bradey – First Aid Attendant**

Our lost property area is being revised and any item will now be kept for one month only, then if unclaimed will be donated.

Please take the time to write your name on all personal items brought to school, including school jumpers. If named, we will endeavour to return the item to students as soon as possible.

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**YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM**

**Janene Strange**

**VET and Work Experience Coordinator**

Congratulations to all the Year 10 students’ who attended Work Experience in the last week of Term 2. Work experience is universally regarded as an important way of developing employability skills and business awareness. Not only can it enable students to see for themselves the realities of the world of work, it can also help them make more informed career choices, find out what they are good at, and give them confidence to gain their first part - time job.

Year 10 students are reminded to hand in the following paperwork in the first week of Term 3:

- Yellow copy of the “Employer Report on Student Work Experience” to the Middle School Office
- Completed “Work Experience Evaluation form” submitted to your English teacher in the first week of Term 3.

**Fit Tip!**

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Simply start collecting stickers at the checkout of your local Woolworths supermarket (self-service too) until 22 July to place on your child’s sticker card. There’ll be one sticker for every $10.00 spent, excluding purchases of liquor, smoking/tobacco products and gift cards. Once completed, simply drop the sticker card into a collection box, located at the General Office on the 7-10 Junior Campus at Frankston High School or at your local Woolworths.

We can’t wait to help your school earn valuable learning resources - just by shopping at Woolworths. Last year we gave away over $4.5 million worth of resources to more than 6,900 schools that participated across Australia.

### MOONLIT SANCTUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
#### YOUNG RANGER PROGRAM

Environmental Activities, Native Animal Care, Fun and Games during Winter 2012.

Monday 2, Wednesday 4, Friday 6 July
Monday 9, Wednesday 11, Friday 13 July

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

*Mrs Karen Talbot-Walsh [Manager]*

**TELEPHONE 9770 0084 (SHOP)**

**TRADING HOURS**

**Thursday** 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm
3.00 pm - 4.00 pm

**Saturday** 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

**Please Note:**

The Uniform shop will be closed during the school holidays and will reopen on Thursday 19 July.

For Term 3, the Uniform shop will not be open between 7:30 pm—8:30 pm Thursdays.

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