DEAR PARENTS, STAFF, STUDENTS & FRIENDS

This term has been a demanding term of teaching and learning amidst a range of celebratory activities which have helped our students and community members feel a special connection with our great school. Some Term 2 highlights include:

CHAPLAINCY DINNER: A GREAT NIGHT FOR ALL, ESPECIALLY CAR ENTHUSIASTS!
Wednesday 4 May proved to be a most entertaining night for all who attended our Chaplaincy Dinner. Campbell Bolwell, a former student of Frankston High School was the guest speaker. Campbell is renowned worldwide for designing the Bolwell sports cars and more recently the Nigari sports car. He entertained us with stories of what he got up to at school in the 1950s. Fortunately only one student was in the audience to hear about his antics: hope it didn’t give him any ideas!! Campbell inspired us all by sharing how he had a dream when he was at school and how he worked, giving of his best (Optima Semper), to make his dream a reality. It was a fun night for all, raising much needed funds to continue supporting the great work of our Chaplains.

SENIOR STAGE BAND: SECOND IN AUSTRALIA!
On Friday 6 May, our Senior Stage Band travelled to Mount Gambier to compete in the National Stage Band Championships. It is with great pride that I report this band was awarded second place in Australia in their division. This is a phenomenal achievement when you consider they were competing against elite private music schools. James Dal Ben (Year 12) was selected to play in The Division Super Band as a result of his superb guitar performances throughout the competition. He now has an invitation to study at the prestigious Generations in Jazz Academy next year if he chooses. Such an exceptional achievement is a reflection of the dedication of our highly talented students and also the outstanding leadership provided by their conductor Mr Leon De Bruin, and tuition from our high calibre instrumental music staff. Furthermore, as usual, the students’ behaviour was faultless with the public commenting on what great ambassadors they were for Frankston High School.

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

Thu 2 - Fri 3  •  “Footloose” Production George Jenkins Theatre 7.30 pm
Sat 4  •  “Footloose” Production George Jenkins Theatre 2.00 pm & 7.30 pm
Sun 5  •  Working Bee 8.00 pm - 12.00 pm
Tue 7  •  Middle School Maths Exam
Wed 8  •  NPD Cross Country
Fri 10  •  Junior Girls Football
Mon 13  •  Queen’s Birthday - Public Holiday
Tue 14  •  Years 11 and 12 Exams Commence
Thu 16  •  Last Day To Submit Work Year 7 - 10
            •  Year 8 Round Robin
            •  GAT Exam - No Years 11 or 12 Classes
            •  Year 12 Formal
Fri 17  •  Report Writing Day - No Students Required At School
Mon 20  •  Unit 4 Commences
            •  SMR Cross Country
Tue 21  •  Year 7 Round Robin
Thu 23  •  Middle School Round Robin
Mon 27  •  Year 9 Health Week
            •  Year 10 Work Experience
            •  Years 11 and 12 Reports Distributed
            •  Unit 2 Commences
Wed 29  •  Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm

MEETINGS

JUNE

Mon 6  •  Chaplaincy 5.00 pm
Tue 7  •  Education 5.00 pm
Tue 14  •  Finance 1.00 pm
            •  Sponsorship and Marketing 2.00 pm
            •  PFA 7.30 pm
Mon 20  •  Former Staff and Students 2.00 pm
Tue 21  •  Facilities and Grounds 6.00 pm
            •  School Council 6.30 pm
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – STUDENT PARTICIPATION – A HIGHLIGHT!
Thank you very much to Ms Deb Anderson and her team of enthusiastic student sports leaders who organised our highly successful Athletics Carnival on Friday 6 May. I was most impressed with the particularly high level of student participation. It was wonderful to see all our students doing their personal best in a range of events whether they were elite athletes or students who, knowing they may not achieve a place, participated to gain points for their house. I have great admiration for all our students who support each other and work successfully in house teams to achieve top results. Congratulations to Collins House who were the grand champions of the 2011 Carnival.

DEBUTANTE BALL: A TIME FOR CELEBRATION!
Our annual Year 11 Debutante Ball provided a great opportunity for families, staff and friends to join together in celebrating how our once young children have developed into fine young men and women. It is always inspiring to hear of each student’s plans for the future, and they all were extremely impressive in their formal attire: it’s giving me a few ideas for uniform changes! We are deeply indebted to all the energy and hard work from a team of staff who so generously gave of their time to coordinate this event.

HUMAN POWERED VEHICLE (HPV): ENGAGES A TEAM IN HEALTHY COMPETITION
On Saturday 14 May I joined our HPV team Middle and Junior boys in very wet conditions to compete against schools from across Victoria. Our team did us proud competing in an eight hour competition to be placed sixth in their division. Many thanks to Mr Craig Ridoutt who has devoted Friday afternoons to training our team, and who coached them throughout the event. It is staff such as Craig who give beyond their classroom duties, which makes our school such a great place, providing fantastic learning experiences and challenges for our students.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCE SHOWCASES OUR EXTRAORDINARY STUDENT LEADERS
Wednesday 25 May Frankston High School organised and hosted an Environmental and Sustainability Conference. Teams of student leaders were in attendance from private and government schools across the Peninsula. Kimberly Pelloso 12, a Kwong Lee Dow scholarship recipient (University of Melbourne) committed her scholarship funds to ensure this conference became a reality. With outstanding leadership, Kimi inspired our Environment Committee of student leaders to conduct this conference. Student leaders left the conference motivated with action plans to lead their schools onwards in developing even better sustainable practices. This student led initiative showcased the exceptional leadership skills of our student leaders. Thank you to Mrs Sue Robinson who was ever present to support our students in organising this event.

KIMBERLY PELLOSS: RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS VCE ACHIEVER AWARD
As you have been reading in my report you will realise that Kimberly Pelloss is a role model for us all. She always does her best by working hard and giving to her community and this has now been recognised with Kimi receiving a coveted VCE Achiever Award. This award recognises VCE students for their leadership, initiative and involvement in extra-curricular and community activities. Congratulations Kimi we are all very proud of your achievements!

I am sure you will enjoy reading this newsletter which reminds us all of the many ways our great school has supported the development of our students throughout the term. Looking forward to catching up with students, parents and friends as we all enjoy and celebrate our highly talented student performers in the 2011 musical production ‘Footloose’.

John Albiston
Principal

MIDDLE SCHOOL SEMESTER 1 MATHS EXAM
Tuesday 7 June (Period 5 and 6)
All Middle School Students must attend this exam. Students who can not attend due to illness will need to provide a medical certificate. Students with other legitimate reasons for not sitting the exam must discuss this with their Maths teacher as soon as possible.

Year 9 Maths Exam:
Calculator and Summary Book required.

Year 10 Maths Exam:
Exam 1: Calculator and Summary Book.
Exam 2: No Calculator or Summary Book permitted.

See your Maths Teacher for further details.

HOST FAMILIES FOR FRENCH STUDENTS URGENTLY NEEDED.
Mrs Anne Thomson
Community Liaison Coordinator

On Monday 13 June eight French students from Lycee Jean Zay will be arriving for the annual French Host Family Program visit.

They will be here for 10 weeks. We are seeking host families for students aged 16 years.

Two five week hosting blocks have been organised: 13 June - 17 July and 17 July - 20 August.

If you are interested please contact Anne Thomson on 0409 835 541 for further information or email Anne at athomso@fhs.vic.edu.au
DEBUTANTE BALL

Conratulations to all who attended the Debutante Ball on Friday 20 May. Mr Geoff Shaw, MP and Cr Kristopher Bolam, Mayor of Frankston received our Debutantes on the night and complimented our students on their beautiful presentation and behaviour.

Our students were a credit to the school and their behaviour was exemplary. It was wonderful to see so many parents, sisters, brothers, grandparents and friends dancing the night away with our Year 11 students.

Conratulations to Ms Lisa Pieropan, Mrs Deb Child, Mrs Judy Press, Mrs Sally Sanderson, Mrs Cathy Ramsden and Mr John Albiston who assisted with the preparation of the night. A special thank you to Mr Con Neratzogiou and Ms Sarah Toovey who introduced the students on the night.

I would like to thank the management and staff of the Brighton International for providing such a wonderful venue for our Debutante Ball. For many of our students, the Debutante Ball is the highlight of their time at Frankston High School.

VCE ACHIEVER AWARD 2011 - CONGRATULATIONS KIMBERLY PELLOSIS

These awards recognize the many outstanding achievements of VCE students who, on top of a hectic work year, commit themselves to a range of community service work including sporting, artistic, charity and voluntary activities. Kimberly is a worthy recipient of this award; she has demonstrated a high degree of leadership within the school and the wider community, is involved in extracurricular activities, is self-directed and demonstrates initiative and is seen by the school as co-operative, inclusive and committed to making a difference. As a VCE Achiever, Kimberly receives a three-month subscription to the Herald Sun. She will also receive a certificate, trophy and prize which will be presented to her at the VCE Achiever ceremony in November. Kimberly was featured in the Herald Sun Learn section on Tuesday 31 May highlighting her achievements.

CONGRATULATIONS LAURA CORFIELD: LONDON INTERNATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM

Laura has been selected to attend the London International Youth Science Forum. This is an invaluable opportunity for Laura as she undertakes lectures and laboratory visits with well-known scientists. As part of this forum Laura will attend Oxford and Cambridge Universities and visit the Cern Laboratory in Geneva. Laura departs on 24 July and we look forward to hearing of her adventures as she continues to pursue her passion of science.

CONGRATULATIONS KIMBERLY PELLOSIS SUSTAINABILITY CONFERENCE

Kimberly was awarded a Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars grant and with this she has coordinated a highly successful Sustainability Conference for schools on the Mornington Peninsula. This conference was held on Wednesday 25 May with ten schools participating in workshops. Key note speakers included: Greg Hunt, Executive Officer of the South East Climate Change Alliance; Christine Richards, South West Ward Councillor and Aidan Jago, Australian Youth Climate Coalition Representatve. The day has inspired school students and has encouraged environmental sustainability within the community.

CONGRATULATIONS DYLAN BAMPTON FIRST PLACE IN THE MELBOURNE DISTRICT OF THE CLASS CLOWN COMPETITION.

Dylan Bampton (Year 11) recently competed in a competition as part of the Melbourne Comedy Festival. Dylan’s talents and comedy routine had the audience and judges enthralled and he was awarded first place in the Melbourne district. His routine was stand up comedy on current events, and he progressed to the State Final where he dazzled the audience and judges yet again.

CONGRATULATIONS DANIEL TREGURTHA GRIDIRON CHAMPION

On 5 July Daniel will be leaving for the Gold Coast, where he will be participating in a five day training camp with the Australian Gridiron team and then representing Australia against two American High Schools on the 11 and 13 of July.
YEAR 12 PRACTICE EXAMS
In preparation for the VCAA June exams which commence on Tuesday 14 June 2011, Frankston High School will be holding practice exams as follows:

- Accounting - Thursday 2 June (3.30 pm – 5.15 pm)
- Physics - Monday 6 June (3.30 pm – 5.15 pm)
- Biology - Tuesday 7 June (3.30 pm – 5.15 pm)
- Psychology - Wednesday 8 June (1.30 pm – 3.15 pm)
- Chemistry - Thursday 9 June (3.30 pm – 5.15 pm)

These exams provide students with the opportunity to have exam techniques and practices in order to maximise results. Teachers can address areas of concern in student performance and exam technique.

YEAR 12 VCAA JUNE EXAMS AND GAT
VCAA June exams will occur as follows:

- Biology – Tuesday 14 June (9.00 am – 10.45 am)
- Physics – Tuesday 14 June (11.45 am – 1.30 pm)
- Accounting – Tuesday 14 June (2.45 pm – 4.30 pm)
- Psychology – Wednesday 15 June (9.00 am – 10.45 am)
- Chemistry – Wednesday 15 June (11.45 am – 1.30 pm)
- General Achievement Test (GAT) – Thursday 16 June (10.00 am – 1.15 pm)

All students who are studying a Unit 3 and 4 subject are required to sit the General Achievement Test. Exam timetables were distributed to all students studying a Year 12 subject during iSupport. If a student does not have their timetable they should see their Year Level Coordinator.

YEAR 11 MID YEAR EXAMS
All Year 11 studies will have a mid year exam during the period Tuesday 14 June - Friday 24 June.

The Senior School Coordinators and I would like to extend our best wishes to all Year 11 and Year 12 students for their upcoming mid-year examinations.

END OF SEMESTER ARRANGEMENTS
Year 12 Students:

- Tuesday 14 June – Wednesday 15 June Year 12 exams. There will be no formal classes over these days.
- Thursday 16 June – General Achievement Test (GAT). There will be no formal Year 12 classes on this day.
- Friday 17 June – Report Writing Day
- The last day for students to submit work for Unit 3 is Friday 10 June
- Unit 4 commences on Monday 20 June

Year 11 Students:

- Tuesday 14 June – Friday 24 June is the Year 11 examination period
- Thursday 16 June - All students undertaking a Unit 3 and 4 study are required to sit the GAT on this day. There are no formal Year 11 classes on this day.
- The last day for students to submit work for Unit 1 is Friday 10 June
- Unit 2 commences on Monday 27 June

If a student has both Year 11 and Year 12 examinations scheduled, their Year 12 exam will take precedence and their Year 11 exam will be rescheduled.

- VCAL CLASSES WILL BE RUNNING DURING THE YEAR 11 EXAMINATION PERIOD

ATTENDANCE POLICY
As Semester 1 draws to a close I would like to remind parents and students of the attendance policy in the Senior School. Seven unexcused absences in a study and/or 15 absences in a study results in an N result for that study. Students must ensure all absences are annotated by the Coordinators or Office Staff on the green absence card in their diary. Students must also ensure their green card is shown to all of their classroom teachers. In order for the absence to be excused, parents/guardians must provide a note with a specific reason for the absence: illness, funeral etc.

COMPLETION OF WORK
Students must ensure they have checked with their classroom teachers that they have satisfactorily completed all of their learning outcomes and met the requirements of the attendance policy. All work must be completed by Friday 10 June 2011.

SENIOR SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent Teacher interviews for Senior School students will take place on Wednesday 29 June from 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm. The interviews are by appointment and parents will have access to the online booking system from Friday 24 June. I encourage all parents, guardians and students to attend these interviews; it is an excellent opportunity for teachers, students and parents to work together to improve student learning outcomes.

End of semester reports will be distributed to Senior Students on Friday 24 June. In addition, Year 11 students will receive a Statement of Exam Results Certificate at the beginning of Term 3.

YEAR 12 FORMAL
The Year 12 Formal will be held on Thursday 16 June in the function centre at Mornington Racecourse. The price per ticket is $70.00 which includes a two course meal and soft drink. Tickets are on sale now and must be paid for by 9 June 2011.

Parents will be asked to sign a Parent/Student Consent form.

Please Note: Parents are expected to collect their child from Mornington Racecourse by 11.30 pm or to make other suitable arrangements to ensure their child’s safety. Thank you to Mrs Maree Granger and Ms Clare Challenger for organising this event.

CHAPLAINCY TRIVIA NIGHT
FRIDAY 29 JULY

Further details coming in the next newsletter

Keep this date free

Looking forward to seeing you there
YEAR 11 LEGAL STUDIES EXCURSION  
Nicole Bibby - Year 11

On Friday 13 May, Mrs Twyford’s and Mrs Bambridge’s two Year 11 Legal Studies classes went to the County Court and The Old Melbourne Magistrates Court.

Entering the County Court involved going through security, then we met with the Tipstaff after which he showed us up to the ninth floor where he explained where the Supreme Court, Family Court, Children’s Court and Magistrate’s Courts are on Williams Street. He then explained when the accused is put in remand they are placed in cells underneath the current Magistrates Court from where they are brought up from when their trial is being heard. The class then went in to a free court room and the Tipstaff explained where everyone sits in the court room including the jury, witnesses, judge and the accused. We then proceeded into a court room where we were to hear a fraud case. The class found that actually sitting in on a real case was very different with not understanding all the technicalities and it was not as action-packed as TV shows and movies.

After lunch we went to the The Old Melbourne Magistrates Court to act out a culpable driving case with the class acting as if we were the judge, prosecutor, witnesses, gallery members or the accused.

Overall it was a very beneficial day as we learnt a lot about our legal processes and the system of justice.

Mitchell Dessent  Year 11 at The Old Melbourne Magistrates Court

YEAR 12 LEGAL STUDIES STUDENTS GO TO PRISON  
Ms Cindy Twyford - Legal Studies Teacher

As part of their Year 12 Legal Studies course, students had the chance to experience what prison life was like first hand with a visit to HM Prison Loddon, just outside Castlemaine. After an early start, 6.30 am, we arrived at Loddon Prison just after morning muster and a code Aqua or shut down of the prison. Students were required to pass through security and sign in. We were led to the visitors centre within the prison grounds and given a talk by a prison officer about the prison and Victoria’s prison system in general.

A group of four prisoners were then introduced to us. Students were able to guess what offences they had committed and ask some general questions of them before being broken into four groups and spending some time with each of the prisoners on an individual basis. Students asked questions about the crime they had committed, the punishment they received and their views on the effectiveness of prison as a sanction.

We were extremely proud of the students and the calibre of questions they asked, making excellent use of this opportunity to further enhance their studies. The prisoners were honest and their crimes varied from culpable driving, murder, manslaughter and assault. This was hopefully a once in a lifetime experience for our students. We are sure they came away with an interesting perspective on the operation of our justice system.

HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS  
Ms Donna Harding - International Student Coordinator

Caring host families are needed for International Students enrolled at Frankston High School.

If you would like to participate in paid hosting please contact Donna Harding on 9783 7955
WHAT YOU MISSED
Mrs Carolyn Florance - Business Manager

TOMMY CARTER OAM AND THE FRANKSTON HIGH SCHOOL BAND MUSIC SOIRÉE

What a wonderful afternoon of music and entertainment. We were very fortunate to have the wonderful Tommy Carter OAM and members of the Frankston High School Music Band for a musical soirée on Saturday 30 April. It was an absolute privilege and delight, and the Former Students and Staff Association along with the Chaplaincy Committee raised much needed funds for the Chaplaincy program.

A very big THANKS to those who attended on the day and supported this wonderful event.

Keep your eye out for next year’s soirée date in our newsletter and in the Optima Semper.

FOREST EDGE CAMP
Brad Westlake - Year10

In 2011 I was fortunate enough to be nominated, as the only Year 10 from Frankston High School, to attend RYPEN. This is a camp for Years 9 to 10 students who are looking to extend their leadership and social skills as well as challenge themselves. The camp was held over a weekend, 13 May - 15 May, and all the students were sponsored by their local Rotary club who also organised the camp.

We were introduced to our camp leader, Matt, Ben, Deb and Jaime, the organisers and Bernard our first speaker. The first session was to introduce us to the camp and present us with our community project. This was to design a presentation to reduce and raise awareness of violence on the streets. Concluding the session we had our first opportunity to work on the project and meet our group.

Our second session was to improve our public speaking and give us a clearer picture on what a leader does and needs to do. This session was one of the best and I found it very interesting. We then broke off into activities: rock climbing, team building exercises, flying fox and the last activity for the day was another opportunity to work on the community project. In the afternoon we were presented with a very emotional presentation by Sam Howe, he showed us his story and his recovery. Sam was a part of a tragic car accident. As well as being emotional it was very inspirational.

On Sunday morning all four groups presented their project to the rest of the camp. Yellow team, my group, won the award for best presentation which was very rewarding.

The camp was great; fun, challenging, well organised and we all learnt a lot. I would like to thank all of the people from Rotary for organising the trip and paying for me to go. I would also like to thank the group leaders and all of the students from RYPEN and Mrs. Bambridge for nominating me to go.

CHAPLAIN’S CHAT
Mr Matt Parker - Chaplain

At Frankston High School Linda Hughes and myself, as Chaplains of the school, get involved and assist the students whenever the needs arise.

For instance we run ‘mentoring programs’ for small groups of students, and from those mentoring groups the students have been able to serve the local community with various community projects, most recently running an activities day at a local aged care facility. Recently we completed a series of workshops with all of the Year 8 classes looking at the importance of accepting diversity in our school, as well as covering topics relating to bullying and awareness of cyberbullying. We also organize some extra lunchtime activities for the students including a games room in Room 50 on Mondays and outdoor activities on the basketball courts on Wednesdays.

Basically, if there is any way we can be of some assistance to teachers and students in the school we are happy to help-out. So if you have any more ideas for around the school we would love to hear from you.
**SUPPORTIVE FRIENDS PROGRAM**  
*Lucy Williams - Year 11*

The Supportive Friends Program is a program designed to teach Senior School students how to use basic skills in order to help another student when they confide in them.

On Tuesday 17 May a group of Year 11s went to the Frankston Yacht Club, to take part in the Supportive Friends Program. We learnt how to speak to other students about their issues, including anxiety, depression, suicide, resilience, happiness, bullying and fulfilment.

It was a fun filled day. We played games, talked in a big group and split into smaller groups to do work on how to deal with students issues.

Throughout this year we will be working with Junior students, to help them with their problems, welcome them to the school, and prepare them for what lies ahead. The following students took part, and are now all trained to speak to – so feel free!

- Charles Patterson
- Gerard Miller
- Sarah Astone
- Aimee Chambers
- Nick Bremner
- Lucy Williams
- Freyer Mcleod
- Hannah Green
- Tahlia Fulton
- Emma Boyd
- Emma Spiliopoulos
- Sarah Stevens
- Melissa Furlong
- Aroha Ohia
- Lucy Mahony
- Breanna Molloy
- Pertunia Magabane
- Emma Nanscawen

We would all like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Bambridge, Miss Toovey and Mr Matt Parker for organising the program and for attending.

**VCE GEOGRAPHY EXPLORES IMPACTS ON THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT...**  
*Mr Brendan McKinnon  
Geography Coordinator*

Students in VCE Geography recently took part in a fieldwork trip around the Mornington Peninsula exploring human and natural impacts on the environment. Areas of study included invasive weeds, coastal management, park management, erosion and introduced species. The students visited Cape Schanck, Gunnamatta Beach, the Point Nepean Quarantine Station, Portsea Beach and Seawinds Gardens on Arthurs Seat. They also got to stop in at Sorrento for lunch where the local fish and chippery proved a hit.

These Senior Students were lucky enough to have three guest speakers throughout the day, who talked about different impacts on the Mornington Peninsula and its parks. The Geography faculty would like to publicly acknowledge the efforts of Parks Victoria’s rangers Sue, Brendan and Alison who gave generously of their time to help inform our students. Geography would also like to thank Mr Ross Towers for driving the bus which enabled our students to tour the Peninsula.

During the day students used their sketching, photography and note taking skills to collect enough data for inclusion in an upcoming report on human and natural impacts on the environment.

![Group Photo]

**HANDS ON LEARNING**

The highly successful Hands on Learning program will be starting again in the next few weeks.

Hands on Learning is a one day a week in school program that allows students from across Years 7-10 to form meaningful relationships with other students and adult role models.

Students work on creative building projects that benefit the school and local community.

This year the program will be presented on Tuesdays and Wednesdays by Roger Fisher and Cam Henke.

If any parent has a working refrigerator or electric stove top that they could donate to the program Roger, Cam and the 'Hands On' students would be most grateful.

Please contact the General Office if you can possibly assist.
FRANKSTON HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS HAVING A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY

Jessica Bambridge
Student Leadership Coordinator

Frankston High School hosted a Local Area Planning Conference run by the Frankston City Council in our hall in early May. With about 100 people in attendance the table discussions involved issues and improvements in the Frankston South area.

The Student Leadership Council wanted to provide a student perspective and we had many students attend with Kimi Pelliosis, Rachel Welsh, Alannah Higgins, Jordan Hay, Ayesha van den Brink, Meg Liepa and Zoe Nottas all highly engaged in discussions and often scribing and presenting their tables opinions to the larger group.

Mrs Carolyn Walsh (also in attendance) organised several Year12 VCAL students to take part. Meg Liepa, Zac McCoy, Daniel Tregurtha, James Slater and Stefan Strang involved themselves with their tables discussions with Zac and Daniel both being standout students on the night.

Miss Jessica Rasdell organised several of her Year 8 students to prepare a short multimedia presentation on ‘why they love Frankston’. These presentations were shown at the start of the evening and received ‘high praise’ from many participants. Two creators of these videos Charlie Paimo and Christina Herrera were not only in attendance but participated throughout the evening. Again, they were very impressive and drew high praise from many members of the community.

I was inundated at the end of the evening with members of the community and Frankston City Councillors wanting me to pass on to our school community how impressed they were with our students

Well done to all the students involved

HPV REPORT
Mr Craig Riddout - HPV Coach

It was a cold and wet track Saturday 14 May when our HPV (Human Powered Vehicle) team took on the challenge of a six hour race at Casey Fields. Tom Albiston, Chris George, Niall Mehmeh, Blake Neck and Daniel Van Zeil overcame leg cramps, fogging and roof fly ups to secure 7th place in a field of 13 in their class.

The boys all pedalled hard the entire time and have left from this race gaining in race experience for next year.

A big thank you to all the parents for helping and supporting the team on the day.

VICSRC CONFERENCE
Kimi Pelliosis - Year 12

On 4 May 2011 a VicSRC Conference was held at the Frankston High School Senior Resource Centre. The Victorian Student Representative Council (VicSRC) is a democratic network of Student Representative Councils working to represent the views of secondary students and to strengthen SRCs throughout Victoria.

With the help of VicSRC executives Kimi Pelliosis (Year 12), Tim Eric (Year 11), SLC Coordinator Mrs Jessica Bambridge and other SLC students the conference was highly successful in enabling students to meet together across schools, learning from each other and working together on common interests. Creating these spaces for students to meet, express themselves and realise how much they have in common can be a very empowering opportunity for the young people and SRCs involved.

Students and teachers from Woodleigh School, John Paul College, Mount Eliza Secondary College and Monterey Secondary attended the event.
A VERY FUNNY COMPETITION
Ms Heather Forbes Drama teacher

On Tuesday 17 May I took five very funny Drama students to compete in the Victorian Class Clown’s Melbourne International Comedy festival competition. As part of the Melbourne and International Comedy Festival, each year schools from all over Australia are invited to register students to compete in Class Clown’s Comedy competitions (heats) held in each state.

Dylan Bampton (Year 11) as a very talented drama student and up and coming comedian, is very interested in a career in comedy and on Tuesday, after a day of rehearsing his material and reworking it at the workshop held at The Malthouse Theatre he won his heat. Although he didn’t go on to win the State competition, held the next day, the judges of the heat, he competed in, informed me that they believe he is a very skilful comedy writer with real potential as a stand-up comedian.

Joseph Lawson (Year 11) with Gavrilo Koncar (Year 11), and Jonathon Pipiris (Year 10) with Scott Runacres (Year 10) also did well with their hilarious and original sketch routines. They should all be congratulated for representing Frankston High School in the competition.

FRANKSTON HIGH SCHOOL SUSTAINABILITY/ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE

On 25 May 2011 a congregation of around 70 students from ten schools around the area gathered at the Frankston High School Hall to discuss and share initiatives towards combating climate change at the student led Frankston Environmental and Sustainability Conference.

Due to the apparent hazards and risks facing our environment taking action is becoming a crucial issue to the youth of today’s modern society. It is therefore critical that we support students and their wider community to build a sense of optimism and hope for the future, based on sound information, learning and actions to address sustainability at school, in the community and at home.

The key goal of this exciting conference was to promote awareness of local environmental issues and the ways in which students can improve and develop key goals for their school’s sustainability programs through workshops. Greg Hunt, Executive Officer of the South East Councils Climate Change Alliance, Cr Christine Richards, Frankston South West Ward Councillor, and Aidan Jago, AYCC representative, spoke at the event and various stalls from the Frankston City Council and Community Gardens, Australian Youth Climate Coalition, Earthwatch and Swinburne University were present. Representatives from DSE, Sustainability Victoria, and VAEE also visited the Frankston Environmental and Sustainability Conference.

Schools attending were:
Bentleigh Secondary College
Carrum Downs Secondary College
Elizabeth Murdoch College
Frankston High School
McClelland College
Mount Eliza Secondary College
Padua College
Toorak College
Woodleigh School

All of these funny students performed their acts at the our school Class Clown’s Competition that Ms Kristie Vidotto and I ran a couple of weeks ago at lunchtime. We intend to run this competition every year so if you are a class clown, you might like to start preparing an act for next year’s competition!


A feature of this Conference was the fact that it was initiated, organised and led by students. A Frankston High School Year 12 student, Kimberly Pelliosis, was responsible for its outstanding success.
THE SLC PROUDLY PRESENTS RELIEF WEEK!
Darcy Hill and Emily Hutchison - Year 10

When you get home from school what do you do? Grab a snack, have a drink, get changed? Well, some people aren’t as fortunate as us at the moment. What if there was no food, no water, no spare clothes even no house!! What would you do??

This is why the Student Leadership Council proudly organised Relief Week. This project aimed to raise awareness and much needed funds to help support all the areas affected by the many recent natural disasters. Throughout the week the SLC sold many delicious foods with all proceeds being donated to various appeals.

On Monday 23 May there was a bake sale which supported the Queensland and Victorian flood appeal. The recent flooding has impacted over 70 towns and countless houses were inundated. 200,000 people were affected and many of those people were left stranded without food and clean drinking water. Thank you to all the SLC members and staff who bought in SO much yummy bake goods that we raised in total $432.00!

On Tuesday there was a BBQ and Hot Chocolate Drive which raised money for the New Zealand Earthquake Appeal. The New Zealand earthquake which occurred on the 22 February and caused buildings to topple over, the streets to crack and power to go out. Tragically there were many deaths and several hundred people were injured or trapped. We filled up the 7 – 10 students before their Cross Country run and we still managed to raise $125.00.

On Thursday we sold Japanese inspired lollies supporting the Japanese Disaster Appeal. This disaster has seemed never ending with earthquakes, tsunamis and then a nuclear meltdown. Although the physical disaster has stopped, the effects still rage on with almost half a million homeless, without certain shelter, food, or clean water. The lollies were a great success and we sold out in a flash at recess! This allowed us to raise $132.00!

Relief Week concluded on Friday 27 May with a Casual Dress Day!! The theme come dressed in the ‘colours of one of the countries we raised money for’ or ‘rainbow’, to represent diversity. All money raised went towards the Disaster Aid Australia Family Survival Packs. The disaster packs provide families with the basic necessities to assist them in rebuilding their lives. The packs ensure families get access to shelter and warmth, clean water, cooking, schooling for students and more. The money raised will buy the packs however they will be sent to areas in need when another disaster strikes!! The recent count revealed that we raised approximately $1744.00 (and counting) meaning we can buy two boxes! These boxes will proudly bear the name ‘donated by the students of Frankston High School!”

RELIEF WEEK - THANK YOU!
Jessica Bambridge
Director of Student Leadership

I am enormously proud of all our student leaders this week. Naturally our students have felt the impact of the many recent natural disasters around the world and feel they would like to do something ‘big’ to raise not only money but continued awareness, so the idea of Relief Week was born!

Our Senior Students took charge of a particular day and organised a team of helpers from Years 7 - 12. While all SLC members were involved I would particularly like to acknowledge the hard work of Rachel Walsh, Yasasi Perera and Madeline Kiao all Year 12 students. A big thank you also goes to Miss Jessica Rasdell and Mr Shane Hunt for their support and organisation.

STUDENTS FOR CLIMATE/ENVIRONMENTAL/ SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES
Mrs Sue Robinson - Sustainability Coordinator

Frankston High School is lucky enough to have two students on the Victorian Student Representative Council Executive. They are Kimberly Pellossis (Year 12) and Tim Eric (Year 11).

The following article was included in Volume 5 of the VicSRC Student Advocate which is edited by Kimi:

At the VicSRC Congress in 2010, it was evident that students were passionate about taking action against climate change. Secondary students from all over Victoria agreed that “there is not enough awareness about the programs to make schools more sustainable” and that “if schools involve students now, they will grow up with this knowledge and continue to teach future generations” - one of the many key truisms and qualities that are valued in today’s modern culture and society.

Frankston High School has undertaken an audit to measure the school’s energy use, installed timers on their water boilers and placed informative signage around the school. They have also installed a 200,000L water tank for their garden beds and toilets. Moreover, they have an annual tradition of participating in the National Tree Planting Day, planting around 100 shrubs and herbs around their two campuses (with a commitment to planting indigenous plants) and running workshops: educating primary school students around the local area on the benefits of environmental sustainability in schools and homes, and presenting information about water, waste and energy.

It is further evidence of the great leadership that so many of our students show when it comes to making a difference to the world around them.
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Mrs Deb Hester [Manager]
TELEPHONE 9770 0084 (SHOP)

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TRADING HOURS
Thursday 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm
3.00 pm - 4.00 pm
7.30 pm - 8.30 pm
Saturday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon
Working Bee!
Sunday 5 June 8.00 am - 12.00 pm

Your help is needed please!

On Sunday 5 June the Grounds Committee is holding a working bee from 8:00 am until 12 noon. We are requesting that, if possible, parents, students and staff assist in the completion of a number of grounds projects around the school.

Our first working bee for 2011 was extraordinarily productive. The work completed made such a difference to the grounds.

For this working bee we are planning to do a lot of planting, painting and repairing wooden borders in the front car park.

At the end of the working bee there will be a light thank you lunch provided for all the people who have donated their time to assist in this activity.

Thanks
Lee Anne Smith

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