FROM THE EDITORIAL TEAM

Dear Parents, Staff and Fellow students,

We are the Publications Team and we are responsible for producing the secondary school newsletter for the Keysborough Campus. A few of the topics we have tried to include in this newsletter are: sports reports, upcoming events (so you’re up to speed on new events and programs) Teacher of the Week, and of course, our ‘Guess the Baby’ page. This is our second issue of the year.

In this issue, we’d also like to tell you about the new Library. We’ve learnt that we’ll be receiving a wide range of new books and fifteen new computers. Also, there will be a new reception and the old reception will be used as an enclosed resource room for staff members. New equipment will be brought in, such as new tables, chairs, couches and shelves. The new library will have a different colour scheme. Brighter colours will be used. Last of all, there will be a common room, a lounge used by VCE students, where they can read or study silently.

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Upcoming events.

March.
21st March Harmony Day
23rd Year 11 Psychology – Amaze’N’Things Phillip Island
23rd Immunisation for Year 7 Students.
28th Photo Day – Whole School.
29th Year 9 Girls – Amaze’N’Things Phillip Island

April
8th Last Day Of Term 1.
As a part of the Science Club Elective, Ms. Ruby organised a cake and table setting competition for the year 7-8 and the year 9-10 girls. The winners are as follows:

Cake competition:

7-8: Udhaya, Ilhan, Nilla and Liriana.

9-10: Zuleyha Bozan, Halime Turkolglu, Sahar Niazmand, Ceyda Ergun

Table Setting Competition:

7-8: Asli, Briana, Frozan and Sonia.

9-10: Meyrem Aker, Beyza Safak, Melis Akdamar, Karishma Bakhtani, Benazer Bakhtani, Fatema Raifah, Serap Ercan, Anika Khan, Isil Alcan.

**Opinions on Cake Competition**

“It was a really great experience as well as being challenged” – Zuleyha Bozan.

“The cakes were great” – Sevde Ozdemir.

“It was fun as well as yummy” – Meryem Aker.

It's good to have money and the things that money can buy, but it's good, too, to make sure you haven't lost the things that money can't buy.
PLEASE ASK A TEACHER TO PLACE YOUR GUESS IN THE SILVER BOX ON THE STAFF ROOM TABLE. WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED

Favourite quote: “I’m the best.”
Dream car: Shelby GT500
Future ambition: Barrister
Favourite singer: Tupac and Akon.
Favourite brand: BUX School wear
Favorite music genre: Trance

Favourite quote: “Experience is the name everyone gives their mistakes.”
Favourite music genre: mb and house.
Dream car: Audi
Future ambition: To become a well-earning interior designer.
Favourite tv show: Fatmagullun, sucune?

By: Emina and Talia 9G
Teacher Of The Week

Mrs Dagli

How long did you study to be a school counsellor? “I’ve studied 6 years at the University of Sydney, to become a psychologist.”

Was Isik College your first job after graduation? “No, I have worked at a private school for 2 years and one year at public hospitals.”

Do you enjoy counselling? If so, why? “Of course I enjoy my work. I love working with children and teenagers and I feel like my job is very rewarding because I’m able to be a part of their life.”

What motivated you to counsel? “I was always a ‘people person’. Knowing the hardships of young people I wanted to help them survive their difficulties.”

Does it bother you that there are lots of troubled teenagers? “In every part of life, individuals have difficulties to face. During teenage years, young people have many obstacles and troubles facing them. I like helping them deal with these issues by empowering them.”

If students can’t turn to school counsellors, what do you suggest they do? “Sometimes it might be very hard for someone to turn to a counsellor but I recommend them to speak to someone, call help lines, they are always a major help.”

It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.
**What do you think about drag racing? Is it justifiable? What do you think about what happened last night?**

I think that drag racing is a fun sport, and should be legal under supervised conditions. It shouldn’t be made illegal because of a few irresponsible people who don’t follow the rules! It is justifiable though, because if the drag racers are supervised, and they are proved to be responsible people, there would be no problems! It should be fine, as long as it is not done anywhere which will put people’s lives at risk.

Drag racing is a good way to make money if each ticket to attend a drag racing contest is five dollars for example, and two hundred people show up, one thousand dollars is instantly made! Some people get adrenaline by watching cars drag racing or drifting, and also by being the actual drag racer or drifter. If they are not able to do the things they love, wouldn’t they do it illegally? People who have an addiction for drag racing and are not able to do it will definitely rebel against the authorities, and perform illegal speeding such as the incident that occurred last night.

What happened last night was a case of irresponsibility and stupidity. The two mindless losers who were supposedly drag racing down Princes Highway obviously didn’t think about consequences. When they first got into the cars in the morning, they obviously wouldn’t have thought that one of them would cause a death by speeding! This is one of the cases which would make the government want to ban drag racing, and install more speed cameras. They should install speed cameras, but they definitely shouldn’t stop people from doing what they love (i.e. Drag racing).

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I think drag racing is very bad. Innocent people’s lives can be lost and even the drag racer can lose their lives. Even if they don’t die they could get paralysed, or break their neck, leg, or arm. They could even get bad brain damage!

People who drag race should get locked up in jail for a very long time or get fined a lot. Drag racing is very dangerous, so people should stop doing it.

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I do not understand why certain people took part in drag races and don’t entirely see the point of it – if there is a point! I believe that people who take part in drag races deserve severe punishment. They are placing their lives at risk. But for what reason? I don’t believe there is any reasonable one!

Firstly, they are not only placing their own lives at stake, but are also risking the lives of innocent bystanders. I realize that people might find drag racing ‘fun’ or ‘cool’ but I wouldn’t find it fun or cool after a person is put into hospital or somebody dies.

This brings me to my next point. What about families? If something terrible were to happen to the people involved in the drag race, their families would definitely be devastated. I believe they don’t think of the consequences of not only their safety, but their precious family too. On March 15th 2011, an innocent man who was carefully driving died and the man who was drag racing and crashed into him had to go to the hospital. How would your family feel if this happened to you and they found out?

Lastly, they are breaking the law. Like I said in the first paragraph; what do they have to benefit if they are caught drag racing? Nothing good at all. They will only go to jail or if lucky, survive and receive a massive fine.

In conclusion, people who drag race are risking their precious lives and the lives of innocent people, they don’t think of how their families may feel and don’t think about the consequences after the incident if they do survive.
What do you think of drag racing?

I think drag racing is really, really cool, but doing it on the street is pretty stupid. I wish people on the roads could just drive home or where ever they want to go. If they want to race, why can’t they just go to the race course, and go as fast as they want.

Taylan Selvi.

People really should start standing up for themselves. It’s not fair for a 31 year old man, an innocent man, to be killed in drag racing. We should do something.

Aslı Topal.

I really think drag racing at Princess Hwy was a really bad idea. Because of drag racing a lot of people died. Because of drag racing families have lost their members. Drag racing is extremely dangerous. Don’t think drag racing is easy and fun, it’s actually really, really hard to drag especially if you’re not an expert driver. Whoever drag racers should go to jail for about 5 years. I really blame movies for this sort of thing. They corrupt your mind, influence you to do whatever it shows you. I wish everyone in this world would drive safely so no one could get injured on the road anymore.

Tarık Altun.

Drag racing is a very stupid and unreasonable sport. I find the need for speed can be carried out in a safer manner then on the streets of Melbourne. Drag racing clubs have a controlled space for such sport so that incidents like these aren’t caused. People don’t understand that the streets of Melbourne are used at every hour of the night/day and that one silly act can inadvertently cause a dramatic accident.

Is it justifiable?

Drag racing is NOT justifiable. It’s disgusting. If drag racing clubs are set up for such needs and wants, the people on the streets of Melbourne shouldn’t be exposed to such a dangerous sport. It has not only caused the loss of lives, but collateral damage to others and surrounding areas. I mean yeah, houses and cars can be replaced, but a life?? That’s just something you can’t bring back.

Semra Abazi.

I believe drag racing is an enjoyable pleasure of a sport. People should feel free to want to ride although under circumstances of professional supervision. However doing it on a public highway is very amateur and is extremely dangerous.

Talia Koca.
New SRC Representatives

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We all have dreams. But in order to make dreams into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination, dedication, self-discipline, and effort.
Careers, like rockets, don't always take off on schedule. The key is to keep working the engines.
Come forth into the light of things, Let Nature be your teacher.
On Thursday the 17th of March, the Yr 9 & 10 girls represented our school in basketball for inter-school sports. They competed against the Minaret College Yr 9 & 10 girls.

The Overall scores for the games were as follows:

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All in all, Isik lost 3-1 to Minaret College. But, despite their loss, Isik showed tremendous amounts of effort, skill & sportsmanship.

It was also Miss. Blair’s first inter-school outing with the Isik College girls. Here are her thoughts on the day:

Interviewer: Tell us about how the girls performed? Did they do our school proud?

Miss. Blair: Not all people can master the sport of basketball but our girls showed a lot of potential and displayed great talent. The stakes were set high - the Minaret girls are a competitive bunch - but our girls showed great enthusiasm and did their best to finish the game. Well Done girls!

Interviewer: Were our Isik girls well mannered?

Miss. Blair: The girls were great! They represented the school well and their behaviour was exceptional!

Interviewer: Do you plan on taking them to compete in more inter-school activities?

Miss. Blair: We will be competing in table tennis as well, so stay tuned for that☺

By: The Publications Sports Team - Askim.C & Semra.A