Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

Communication

Please continue to communicate with us to ensure the best for your students.
Our Sub Schools are the first line of communication.

Arts & Humanities
Deb Cox
Melinda Delforno

IT, Science & Commerce
Ron Jooss
Deb Crew

Traditional Trades and Technology
Mark Gelderbloem
Katrina Davidson

Sport & Health Sciences
Travis McIntosh
Karen Woodruff

Call 9703 1266 and follow the prompts to be transferred to the correct Sub School.

If there are on going concerns I would like you to make direct contact with me. The relationships we build with our families is critical to the success of school for each and every individual student.

Sad News
Our school community was very saddened to hear that two of our past students, Paul Strickland and Justin Wright were both killed in separate car accidents in the last two weeks. Our sincere condolences are extended to the boy’s families and friends. Both students are remembered very fondly by staff.

Mid Year Exams
This time of year is very heavy for students preparing for assessments and exams.
Enclosed is the exam timetable for all year levels. If parents or students have any questions or concerns about how the process works please make contact with staff in the Sub Schools. Students need to take advantage of every opportunity to complete exams to the best of their ability. The GAT exam is compulsory for all students who undertake a Unit 3 / 4 study.

Our School motto is Linking Learning and Life
During the year we provide a wide range of opportunities for students to participate in excursions and activities that open their eyes to workplaces, apprenticeships and learning opportunities linked to TAFE and higher education. Students have to do the “hard yards” first though.

Remember the recipe...
Come to school...Attend all classes...Set goals...Work hard...Do your best...
...Achieve!

Anne Martin
Principal
All Aboard on Careers Open Day

Local manufacturing giants Bombardier, Volgren and Jayco recently held an open day to showcase job opportunities available to local young people.

A memorandum of understanding between the manufacturers could result in a cross-company apprenticeship scheme for school leavers.

Bombardier sales and marketing director Andy Spink said the three companies aimed to promote manufacturing in the south-east and develop career paths for local school leavers. “The next step is exploring a cross-company apprenticeship.”

He said the unique apprenticeship, which is in its developmental stages, could see workers gain experience across the three businesses.

Jayco managing director Gerry Ryan said the alliance hoped to “provide the young people of our community with job opportunities they might not otherwise have access to”. “We believe it is important to nurture the skills of the youths in our community, as well as help guarantee the future of the manufacturing industry in the region.”

Hallam Senior College was one of the 15 or more schools to attend and College Principal Anne Martin said the careers day presented an opportunity for students to see local training and job prospects first hand. “The school is working hard to establish a culture of achievement for all, whether at university, TAFE, an apprenticeship or work.”

Industry Partnerships are taking off

Hallam Senior College is very excited and proud to announce a new partnership with the Australian Aircraft Restoration Group (AARG) who operate the Australian National Aviation Museum at Moorabbin Airport.

This has made possible some unique opportunities for students to participate in aircraft maintenance, restoration and engineering work that will support their studies in programs such as Science and Engineering and Traditional Trades.

Currently a group of students is restoring a helicopter jet engine and this work will be followed by repairs on a Canberra bomber fuselage and maintenance of an ‘adopted’ aircraft at the museum.

How To Get Your Teenager To Listen

Forum for parents of teenagers

Do you want a better relationship with your teenager?

Do you want a better understanding of your teenager?

How do I get my teenager to tell me things?

Looking for answers?

Date: Wednesday 16th June, 2010
Time: 7:00pm for tea or coffee, 7:30pm start to 9:00pm
Venue: Hallam Senior College Library

This forum is run in conjunction with the City of Casey Youth Services
**Rugby League News**

Our Rugby League 1sts team recently won the Victorian Schoolboy Final at Casey Fields.

During the day we beat Bayside Secondary College 34 -12 and in the final we beat Vic Uni 36 – 12 after being down 12 – 0 early in the game. We now progress further into the ARL Cup and play a South Australian team in Adelaide on the 16th June.

8 of our Rugby League Squad members represented Victoria at the Combined Affiliated States trials in Adelaide over the weekend. From this squad 3 of them made the Combined Affiliated States Australian team. These students were: Jerome Henry, Kane Walker and Kieran Pickles. They will compete in the Pool A at the Australian Schoolboys Championships in July playing against NSW, Qld and ACT sides.

Other students in this Vic squad are: Tala Titi, Danson Akanoa, Casey Moors. These remaining boys will play for Victoria again at the same championships in the Pool B competition.

In addition to this, Mahe Fonoa made his Debut for the Melbourne Storm Toyota Cup 20's side against the Canberra Raiders. He actually scored a try in a team that went down by 2 points.

Jerome Henry has recently joined the Melbourne Storm 20's squad for training full time.

### Kicking Goals

Azim Xhaferi and Bujar Thaqi have been selected in the SSV State Football (Soccer) Team.

Their impressive performances caught the eye of the Victorian Football (Soccer) team selectors at SSV State Football (Soccer) selection trials that culminated in their selection in the team of 16.

Many SSV State Football (Soccer) Team students go on to play Football (Soccer) at higher levels. Many past Football (Soccer) team members have gone onto senior representation.

Azim and Bujar will join team mates into train in a number of training sessions before completing in the School Sports Australia Event to be held in Melbourne, Victoria from Saturday 31st July to Friday 6th August 2010.

So, here’s hoping that Azim, Bujar and their Victorian team mates can win the Australian title and that Azim and Bujar may be breaking into Australian ranks over the next few years.

### Showjumping Champion

Year 10 student Katie Hore and her horse Lightning Storm competed at the St. Margaret’s Interschool Showjumping Championships on Sunday the 23rd of May and represented Hallam Senior College.

Katie competed against 37 other competitors in her level. Every competitor competed in three separate events. Points were given depending on the placing in each event.

As Katie placed 1st, 2nd and 4th in her events, this gave her the highest totalling points, allowing her to win the overall championship.
2009 Annual Report

The School Accountability and Improvement Framework is a means for monitoring and reviewing progress in each school by both the school and Department. Targets are set at the local level, based on a thorough analysis of data, and agreed upon by the Regional Network Leader. This reflects the importance of acknowledging the school’s unique context, and the reciprocal responsibility and shared accountability of all levels of the system to support improved school performance.

The Framework works at each level of Victoria’s government school system:

- for schools it provides coherence to their improvement efforts, clarifies accountabilities and streamlines processes
- for the system it strengthens the alignment of programs and projects that have shared goals, and ensures that maximum benefit is obtained from resources.

The Annual Report provides an opportunity for the School Council, staff, students and school community to reflect on the success of improvement strategies, and the allocation of resources, and informs planning for improvement in the following year.


Members of the school community who want a hard copy of the report should make contact with the school and we will post one out.

Important Dates

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Please see www.hallamssc.vic.edu.au or call 9703 1266 for more information

Can you sew?

The school production of Alice is looking for volunteers to help sewing some of the costumes.

Opening Night: Thursday 29th July
Please contact Margaret Wieringa at the school on 9703 1266 - all welcome!

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