**GRADUATION - CLASS OF 2010**

The 37th Annual Graduation Ceremony was held on the Monday 25th October in the Grand Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency, Perth. The evening celebrated the culmination of the Year 12 students’ High School Education and celebrated the achievements of the Year 12 students.

In 2010, there were 41 individual prize winners, showcasing the breadth of talent at Morley Senior High School. Meiling Chu was the Dux for 2010 and three other students were recognised for their outstanding achievement in achieving twelve A grades. They were Nhat Hoang, Irwin Kim and Hussna Yawary. The prestigious Swan Medal of Excellence was won by Samantha Barker.

The Lions Vocational and Education and Training Student of the Year Award went to Chenelle Atkinson and Sportsman of the Year was Shaun Williamson and Sportswoman was Nicole Stoddart. For the first time this year Edith Cowan University offered a $1000.00 scholarship. The award is presented in recognition of academic excellence and endeavour and commitment of ECU’s core values of integrity, respect, rational inquiry and personal excellence. The winner was Amber Holyoake.

Good Luck to the students sitting their Western Australian Certificate of Education Examinations in November. The Morley Senior High School Community is extremely proud of the achievements of the Class of 2010. We wish them well in all of their future endeavours. A complete list of all award winners is enclosed in this newsletter.

Ms Sandra Dobson, Year 12 Coordinator

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**ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE TRIALS**

During the second week of the school holidays, I took four boys from Morley Senior High School, to attend English Premier League team, Bolton Wanderers Football Club’s, Identification Clinic. Bolton sent out three coaches from their training academy in England to coach and identify players in the clinic.

The clinic was held at Safety Bay SHS from 10.00am-3.00pm each day for five days. The aim of the programme was to develop and identify players to come back to England for further trials. During the five days the boys learnt how the academy players from Bolton train. This included working on first touch, skills, technical development, classroom sessions, game and match analysis. The coaches especially looked at attitude, before skill, in all players.

I established the link with the director of Pro Football Australia and Bolton Wanderers International Football Academy when I was working at Safety Bay SHS. During the Coaching Clinics the players learnt a lot and improved massively on their soccer abilities. Seventy players attended clinic and only three were selected to go back to England for further trials. One of those players was our own Morley SHS student, and the two others were from Safety Bay SHS. **Congratulations Jordan Doropoulos, Year 10, on being selected and good luck in England!** Well done Alex Suleski, Jemin Loong, John Ah Quah and Jordan Doropoulos!

Dr Fadi Ma’ayah, Football Academy Coordinator
Principal’s Report

Dear Parents
We congratulate our Year 12 Students on their graduation achievements, particularly Meiling Chu, Hussna Yawary, Irwin Kim and Nhat Hoang who achieved an ‘A’ in every subject in their final year. The award of Dux, won by Meiling Chu is an outstanding achievement.

‘Thank you’ to Ms Dobson, Year Coordinator, who over the past five years protected, shaped and groomed these students for the future. Her efforts and commitment appear outstanding and are greatly appreciated by the entire school community. Well done, Ms Dobson.

Director General’s Awards
We were indeed proud when the Director General, Ms Sharyn O’Neill, announced the Semi Finalists in various programmes for 2010, to find that Mr Chris Cardy was listed in the “Teacher of the Year” category. An outstanding and dedicated teacher, Mr Cardy truly deserved this recognition and acclaim.

Morley Senior High School was also listed as a Semi Finalist for its Literacy Programmes. These include the Intensive Specialist Programme for Students new to the English Language; the English as a Second Language Programme for Year 8 Students through to Year 12 comprising those who are both University and TAFE bound; and also the English Support Programme for those students who need extra support and care.

Staff with special qualifications and expertise involved in these programmes are Mr Jim McInerney, Ms Julia Glover, Mrs Joan Romick, Mr Jason Buhlman, Mrs Joan Miller and Mrs Adrienne Leak – an outstanding team whose work is greatly appreciated.

Building Programmes
Science and Mathematics Block
Refurbishment in both these areas is progressing. It is anticipated that a new roof will be added shortly and that students will be in the new rooms early in 2011.

Automotive Trade Centre
This week saw the arrival of the crane which was used with great precision to align the pre cast cement walls. Once stabilised and the roof added, progress will be rapid. We expect, however, that although we will start the programme in 2011, we may not be working in the building until Term 2. Staff do not expect that this will present undue difficulty in students achieving the required industry standards by the end of the year.

It remains for me to thank parents and staff for their continued hard work and support. Without this, students would undoubtedly find progress far more difficult.

Sincerely
Gay Fortune, Principal

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Pick-up and Drop-off Parking
As you know, we have designated areas for the dropping off and picking up of students. However, each year we have numerous complaints from residents around the vicinity of the school. These complaints are mostly of cars being parked on verges and lawns and destroying the residents’ well-maintained front gardens. Even though the Council owns the verge area, it is the property-owners who spends a lot of time and money in proudly maintaining their front garden area.

As you can imagine, if it were your own verge, or front garden, you would probably not like such inconsiderate parking either. Therefore, we ask that you please be considerate: DO NOT park on anyone’s property and ONLY park in the designated areas. These are, for example, the zig-zag/parking bay on Widgee Road and the school-side (only) of Bramwell Road. Parking is allowed, however, on any public road, where legal, and where signs clearly indicate.

Rangers routinely patrol these areas and fines are often handed out to drivers who are parked illegally.

Thank you for your support in this matter.
Admin

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Term 4 finishes Thurs 16 December at 3.30pm
(students ARE expected to be at school unless they are sick)

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ENROLMENTS — CALLING ALL YEAR 7S
We are now taking enrolments for entry into Year 8 at Morley SHS for 2011.
If you need an enrolment package, our office hours are 8.00am - 4.00pm.
For further information contact us on 9376 5555.
Admin Officers

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ENROLMENTS — OTHER YEARS
Enrolments for Years 9 - 12 for 2010 and 2011 require an interview with the Principal.
Please contact the office to arrange a suitable time. Past reports, birth certificates and visa/passports (where applicable) must be brought to the interview. Student/s must come along to this interview with a parent/guardian.
Admin Officers
**Italy Trip**

**September 18th - October 12th, 2010**

Once again, Morley SHS 2010 embarked on its study-tour trip to our Sister School, Liceo Scientifico Statale "R. Mattioli", in Vasto Italy. The participants were Teachers: Mr Ian Masarei and Ms Natasha Yong and students: Felicia Kendrick, Stav Pisk, Kaiyisah Shariff, Jessica Howard, Tina Perera and Alexis Harvey. The Itinerary was extensive, covering many major cities throughout the North and South of Italy. The group visited Rome, Vasto, Naples, Sienna, Florence, La Spezia, The Cinque Terre, Milan and Venice.

Our sister school welcome and hospitality was fantastic. The Morley SHS students and staff have all experienced so much while staying with their host families. While there is much in common there are also many differences between our Australian lifestyle and the Italian way of life. The event underlined the strength of our sister school relationship and also our sister/city relationship.

We can now reflect back on how fortunate we have been to share so many and varied experiences in such a wonderful country that has such a rich and fascinating culture. We can also reflect with great fondness on the hospitality and generosity of our sister school in Vasto. The visit to Vasto was truly a wonderful experience, one that we could not have had without the wonderful good will of our sister school community. Well done to the students who have all risen to the challenge of an ambitious itinerary that required much travel. The students showed great maturity and resilience throughout the trip and proved themselves to be wonderful travel companions and great ambassadors for themselves, the school and their country.

Mr Ian Masarei, Deputy Principal

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**Books**

**Dear Parents**

If you can find any books that are not being used, could you please donate them to the school. I am after any English books you may find. Every year there are some young people who need a book from time to time. Your generosity has saved many students embarrassment. Thanks to all those kind parents who have sent in books for students at the start of the year - it is magic. Mr Jim McInerney, Head of Department - English

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**Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards 2010**

This award is an important initiative of the Australian government in conjunction with the Australian Defence Force.

The Battle of Long Tan holds a special place in the hearts and minds of Australians - one of the defining moments in Australian military history. It is a fitting tribute to the Long Tan veterans, as the very traits they demonstrated such as determination, mateship, teamwork, tenacity, compassion and leadership are the same attributes we hope to encourage and recognize in students.

It is designed to encourage senior students, tomorrow's leaders, to actively participate in the life of their schools and local communities.

They also recognise those who display strong values, such as doing one's best, respect for others and "mateship" that are integral to Australian society.

This year's awards go to:

- **Year 10**: Zoe Kalimeris - Certificate and cheque for $100
- **Year 11**: Njuo Shandwe - Certificate and cheque for $250
- **Year 12**: Suanlee Farrer - Certificate and cheque for $500

Congratulations from the Morley SHS community.

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Learning Area - Society and Environment
National Asian Languages and Studies of Asia

On the 14th September, Shanice Nieukoop-Gaudoin, Marianne Dalpin, Kirsty Bain, Yin Zhong, Jessica Scally, and myself, took part in the "National Asian Languages and Studies of Asia in Schools' Programme" held in City Beach.

The programme was designed to enrich each student's ability to speak Japanese and get them involved in Japanese speaking activities.

The main highlights were Shiigo Sari's hilarious jokes and Kirsty's enthusiastic attempt to express different intonations saying the phrase "Tadaima!" and "Okaeri!". We also participated in actively saying "Dame!" (definition: It's bad) for every question asked. Everyone was "gaga" and clueless but Marianne, the dancing cat, saved us by answering the questions put to us in Japanese. Our teacher, Urban Sensei, was on the judging panel.

The food was fantastic. Everyone who participated in the event was given a generous tray of Obento, a Meronban and a bottle of fruit juice. The event ended with smiles, laughs and an attractive participation certificate.

Joanna Lim, Yr 10.

P&C News

There is an important matter that I wish to call to the attention of all families at Morley Senior High School. Our school has been without the services of an on campus nurse since the beginning of the third term. This situation has come about as a result of a memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Health Department and the Education Department. Within this MOU the role of a school nurse has been redefined from what has been a conventional nursing role. Further, the role of first-aid provider has been assigned to the faculty and staff of the school.

In my view I find this unacceptable and I am sure I am not alone. I believe the teachers are here to teach not apply bandaids. Our previous school nurse was reassigned by her nurse manager because of a disconnection between the Morley administration and herself on this and other issues. To date, a new nurse has not been reassigned by the Health Department to Morley SHS.

I have written to and received replies from both the Minister for Education and Minister for Health about this important matter. I have been assured that a nurse will be assigned to Morley at some point in the future.

I need all the parents’ assistance on this issue. New regulations pertaining to the role of the teachers and the role of the school nurse has been drafted for our comment. I have asked that a copy of draft regulation be posted on the Morley website and I will make a copy available to anyone who contacts me and requests a copy. In order to be certain I am representing the families of Morley SHS and not just imposing my views on this matter I need your comments on the nursing proposal as does our school principal.

In the past couple of months there have been several emergencies at the school whereby the staff have had no alternative but to call for an ambulance to attend since there is no medical personnel assigned to our school. I am struggling with this situation and not at all happy. I have informed the Ministers involved that I do not care about personalities, politics or budgets when it comes to the safety and health of our students.

If there was ever a time to get involved in the school P&C, the time is now.

On other matters, the construction of the new Automotive Trade Training Centre is progressing. We are still planning to conduct classes in this new facility early in 2011. The Science and Maths block are due to be completed in the first term of next year.

The P&C is working closely with the canteen staff to develop a new menu which will be implemented in Term 1 of next year. The new menu is expected to contain freshly prepared menu items and a new range of ethnic delights as well as the popular regular items.

By the time this newsletter has gone to print, the P&C will have had their last meeting of the year on Monday 15 November 2010, namely Volunteer Night, which is held at the end of each year to acknowledge and honour all the people who contribute their time voluntarily to our fine school. We celebrate this evening by handing out certificates and enjoy each others’ company with food and refreshments.

The P&C wish all of the Morley SHS families a wonderful festive season and a prosperous New Year.

Michele Drieberg
President
Morley P&C
**The Eggsperiment Experience.**

Mr Crayden’s Year 8 Society and Environment class conducted an “Eggsperiment”. The aim of the task was simple: to drop an uncooked egg from the balcony outside SOSE 3 to the pavement below. The objective was to ensure that the egg did not break.

Why did we do this task? It’s quite simple. We have been learning about the Agrarian and Industrial revolution. This was a time when people were able to invent new machines as well as methods of farming by using their ability to problem solve….. we sometimes call that “thinking outside the square”. In class we have been looking at technology of the past and the future as well. So we designed an activity that allowed students to experiment with new ideas and concepts and to work in teams.

Inventions were made either out of necessity or because there were new technologies available to be exploited. In our case, the class was asked to design a safety capsule for their egg. They had to pretend that their design idea would be incorporated as a safety device for future flying vehicles. They must also think about the fact that these ideas were still a few years from being made possible. Students had to design a safety capsule that would allow an egg to survive if the flying vehicle was to drop out of the air at a distance of 4 meters above the ground. It was great fun and congratulations to all of the class for their excellent work.

**Conclusion:** We must avoid….

Mr Crayden, Teacher - Society and Environment

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**Morley’s 40th Anniversary Celebrations**

On Wednesday 8 September 2010 an enthusiastic group joined together at Morley SHS to celebrate the school’s 40th Anniversary. Guests were made welcome in the Staffroom, which for many held wonderful memories. The Principal, Mrs Gay Fortune, began the night by offering everyone a warm welcome. There was a wide representation from many areas of our community. Mrs Shirley Watkins, representing her late husband and past Principal, Mr Glyn Watkins, expressed her delight in being asked to attend. The Member for Morley and his wife, Mr and Mrs Ian Britza, were also pleased to attend the function. Mr Britza expressed his admiration for the school and what it had achieved over the last 40 years. Many current and former staff, current and former Parents & Citizens Committee members and ex-students, joined in wishing the school every success for the future.

Members of the 1973/74 Graduating Class were strongly represented and were acknowledged as a group, with a spontaneous round of applause. An audio visual display highlighting the school from the early days to the present along with music and singing from current music students, provided part of the entertainment. The evening was an outstanding success. Many emails have been received saying how much the evening was enjoyed and how guests are looking forward to the next event. Congratulations must go to Mrs Ina Muir for the magnificent job she did in coordinating the function. Her tireless efforts, and the assistance of those who helped in any way, made for a successful evening.

The DVD is available for purchase at a cost of $5. Please contact the office if you would like to buy one. Limited numbers available.

Andrew Brady, Media Teacher/PR
China Trip 2010

September 18th - October 4th, 2010

We travelled from Perth to Shanghai and Beijing back to home with Cathay Pacific. A great airline. In Shanghai we visited- Yu Gardens, Old Chinatown, the Bund, Shanghai Museum, Jin Mao Tower, Shikumen Houses, a river cruise on the Huangpu river, an Aerobatic show and a full day at the Shanghai Expo. Travelling up the Jin Mao Tower to the 88th floor at 9 meters per second was exciting. We then travelled to Hangzhou by train at a speed of 165km/hour. At the station we were met by Sam and Sally from Number 2 School. We spent time visiting the sites - West Lake, the city of Hangzhou, the Environmental Wetlands, the Hangzhou Zoo and the Aquarium.

We also visited The Experimental School (students from Primary to Year 10), the International School and, of course, Number 2 Middle School. All of these are linked. The students spent time in classes (Mathematics and Physical Education) and spoke to students in English classes. Mrs Fortune re-signed the “Memorandum of Understanding” between our two schools with the Principal Mr Ye. A successful visit, with discussions about expanding our links with the possibility of teacher exchange and a football competition.

After a week we departed for Beijing by overnight sleeper train. An interesting trip though, of course, we had too much luggage for the small space allocated for luggage but we managed! In Beijing we arrived before the start of National Day and a week of holidays for many Chinese people. The crowds were huge and all of the tourist sites were crowded. We visited the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace, the Temple of Heaven, Beijing Zoo to see the Pandas, the Great Wall, the Ming Tombs, the Sacred Way, Tiananmen Square, the Hutongs (by rickshaw), the Olympic Park, the silk markets and we viewed a Kung Fu show and saw a performance of Beijing Opera. On our final night we had a superb Peking Duck meal.

By the end of it all, we were all very good at bargaining for DVDs, ties, pearls and scarves. It was a memorable trip and both Ali and Abraham were superb “Ambassadors” for the youth of WA. They represented Morley SHS and their parents with pride. Well done.

Comments from Ali Yussufow, Year 11
“I really enjoyed the food- lots of variety; the famous landmarks; the Shanghai Expo- the architecture was amazing, so many people looking at the pavilions; learning the differences between our school and our sister school, making new friends, checking out the competition in the future global market; learning how to make and cook dumplings and how every part of China has a tradition. A great experience everyone should go on”.

Comments from Abraham Ainsworth, Yr 8
“I ate Peking duck 3 times and the last time in Beijing was the best. At Hangzhou Number 2 School, the grounds are beautiful, the fountain at the front is amazing and they have guards at the gate. The Principal, the teachers and the students were very friendly and helpful. It was fabulous to see the old and the new buildings- so many people. The Great Wall was amazing- the steps were very uneven and there were many local people visiting. A great trip – well worth it!!!”

Mr Norman Paini, Tour Leader

RIO TINTO “BIG SCIENCE” COMPETITION

Rio Tinto “Big Science” aims to enthuse students and encourage them to study science and consider science-based careers. The competition tests students’ critical thinking and problem-solving skills as well their science knowledge. The Competition is a one-hour paper containing 30 multiple-choice questions. There are three levels of papers: Junior (Years 7 and 8), Intermediate (Years 9 and 10) and Senior (Years 11 and 12).

Distinction
Samantha YAP Yr 10 William WONG Yr 11

Credit
Bryan TRAC Yr 8 Nathaniel CLIFT Yr 8 Peikai TRUONG Yr 10 Aiden GEARY Yr 9
Andy TA Yr 10 Alexis HARVEY Yr 10 Jason CHU Yr 10 Kimberley LIM Yr 11
Wayne SUN Yr 12 Hussna YAWARY Yr 12 Nhat HOANG Yr 12 Raymond GIANG Yr 12

Mr Michael McGarry, Head of Learning Area - Science
Western Australian School’s Constitutional Convention 2010

On the 20th September a select group of students from Mr Paini’s Year 11 Politics and Law class were chosen to participate in this convention. The students chosen were Aisha Sulic, Kevin Nguyen, Jayleen Roberts (NNEI Student), Clare Tai, Danielle Chedid and Evander McLeod.

After signing in we were separated into groups in tables of eight. Solicitor, Ian Ropper, gave us the first keynote address on Federalism- this inspired us for the workshop that followed. Each group had to put forward an argument for either State or Federal government to control the health system. After morning tea, the second key-note speaker gave an address on the Australian Curriculum. The students enthusiastically found this very interesting. The following workshop was on arguments for and against a national curriculum.

After lunch the last workshop asked us to come up with a vision for Federation in Australia for 2020. By the end of the day, we felt as though we had achieved a lot from this experience. We had met students from both government and non-government schools and we had shared something in common - members of the WA School’s Constitutional Convention. A wonderful opportunity.

Danielle Chedid and Evander McLeod, Yr 11 Students

NEWSFLASH NEWSFLASH

Great news - Evander McLeod and Jayleen Roberts have been selected to represent Western Australia at the National Schools’ Constitutional Convention in Canberra in March 2011. They will join 13 other WA delegates in Canberra for the three days of the conference. A great opportunity to meet over 125 other young people from around Australia. Well Done.

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Learning Area - Society and Environment

2010 PwC Australian Economics Competition

All Year 11 and 12 Economics students participated in this Australia-wide competition. It is sponsored by The Australian School of Business at the University of N.S.W. and PricewaterhouseCoopers accountancy firm. The top 5% of students in the state receive High Distinction, the next 15% a Distinction and the next 30% receive Credit.

It gives me great pleasure to announce the following results:

Junior Division
Distinction- Matthew Liao  William Wong
Credit:  Vivian Pham  Rhys Jarrett  Tirna Cahill  Amina Krakonja  Jessica Howard
Farid Rasekh Fard

Senior Division
Credit  Hassan Muhammed  Sinh Li  Tamlyn Jayatilaka  Michael Mannucci
Vanessa Nguyen  Meiling Chu  Kimberley Lim  Samantha Barker

Congratulations to all concerned and well done.

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Learning Area - Society and Environment

Asia Wise Competition

Year 10 Society & Environment students competed in this Australia-wide competition. There were 50 multiple choice questions that required students to use the facilities of the library to find answers. This design means that the competition is a skills’ test, not a knowledge test. It allows students to use resources rather than real facts and it assesses key research, analysis and interpretive skills. Our school average was above the national average. Well done to all concerned.

Congratulations go to-
• Chantelle Salleo-Puntillo, and
• Juhiena Ahmed who received a DISTINCTION.

Eleven students received a CREDIT and twenty six students received a MERIT award. Well done to all who participated.

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Learning Area - Society and Environment
**Interschool Athletics Carnival 2010**

On Tuesday 19th October Morley SHS sent over 80 students to compete in the School Sport WA 'D' Division Interschool Athletics Carnival. In what was our strongest team for many years all students involved competed and strived for their best in all of the track and field events throughout the day.

Special mentions must go to individual event winners:

**Year 9** - Kayden Jones, Aiden Geary
**Year 10** - Jacob Santoro, Lauren Stepanovski, Cassandra Mikulandra, Tashriq Khan
**Year 11** - John Ah Quah

Well done to all competitors who represented our school so well.

Matthew White, Phys Ed Teacher

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**THE ACADEMY AWARDS**

Morley Senior High School Football Academy students are looking forward to the End of Year Celebration, **THE ACADEMY AWARDS**, which will be held on Monday the 6th December at 7:00 pm in the school Gym.

Students, parents and invited guests will have the opportunity to acknowledge the Football Academy’s achievements. Team successes will be highlighted and individual players who excelled will be acknowledged.

As part of the evening’s events, a multimedia presentation and video of students in action will entertain the audience. The inaugural Academy Awards look set to be fine celebration of the specialist football programme’s success.

*Below: The successful Senior Boys team who were crowned Specialist Football Schools Champions for 2010*