MORLEY LEOS

A great semester for members of Morley Leos; our first state-wide Leos camp, three new members, certificates for long term members, two successful sausage sizzles and we have started planning for our annual student raffle.

On June 4th, 2011, members of Morley Leos embarked on a drive up to Jurien Bay for our first state-wide camp. Clubs involved were: Harvey, Boyup Brook, Carnamah and Central Midlands. Team work was a positive attribute displayed by all members in group activities. We took part in various group activities such as the “Amazing Race”, egg drop, a ping pong competition, a 10km walk and beach games. Members came together to unite as one, to work together and share ideas to make a difference for our future.

These comments from members of Morley Leos:
Nathan: “more fun than expected. I had a great weekend, would do it again in a heartbeat”;
Emma: “I made friendships, had fun, all round an amazing camp”;
Sam: “it was very interesting”;
Lovetha: “it was extremely enjoyable”;
Patience: “a good experience”;
Michael: “I had an amazing, enjoyable time”;
Gia: “a memorable experience, made many new friendships that will last a lifetime, great opportunity, well worth going to”.

Leos serve to help the community. We did this on this camp and also developed great friendships with other Leos from around the state.

Gia Kalimeris Year 9

2011 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Students from Years 10, 11 and 12 took part in this highly regarded national Geography competition. This competition attracts students from all over Australia and is a joint initiative of the Australian Geography Teacher’s Association and the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland and is proudly sponsored by the National Geographic Channel.

They were required to demonstrate their knowledge about global and local issues with questions on the major flooding in Pakistan, the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, asylum seekers entering industrial countries and regional trade.

RESULTS
Intermediate Level:
High Distinction - Belmin Causevic

Senior Level:
Distinction - Anton Phan

Congratulations and Well Done.

Norman Paini, Head of Department - Society & Environment

OPEN REPORTING NIGHT
Semester 1 Reports will be available for collection at our Open Reporting Night on Wednesday 27th July from 12.30pm - 7.00pm. Information has been sent home and is available on the website. Interpreters for Dari, Farsi and Vietnamese will be available from 4.00pm - 6.00pm. Admin

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT TOURS
We will be running tours of the school for prospective students from Years 6-7 on Wednesday, 17th August. Three time slots available: 6.00pm, 6.30pm and 7.00pm. Bookings are essential. Please contact the school on 9376 5555 to book a time. Office Staff
Dear Parents

Once again, as Term 2 accelerates to its close, we wonder where time has gone. Though we look forward to some well earned rest, we are conscious of how much we habitually depend on parent cooperation and support in everything we attempt as a school. We acknowledge also, the undoubted effort of many of our students who have achieved pleasing results.

Open Reporting Day: Wednesday, 27 July 2011
We look forward to parents and students arriving together at the school on the above date to collect and review reports with teachers. There is little doubt that this three-way interaction between teachers, parents and students promotes the students’ short and long-term effort and achievement in their studies.

Year 9 Parents – Computer Rollout (during Open Reporting Day)
There will be meetings for Year 9 Parents at 1.00pm, 3.00pm and 5.00pm on Wednesday 27th July, to explain how the free Federal Government – Sponsored Notebooks will be handed out to those students. Explained also at this meeting, will be the subject offerings and extension work for these students as Year 10 in 2012. Hopefully, by the end of the day all parents of our current Year 9 cohort will have been spoken to.

We look forward, then, to seeing you all on 27th July. Meantime, have a great holiday.

Sincerely
Gay Fortune,
Principal

NAIDOC Celebration
On the 6th May, 2011 our school Morley Senior High School, began our NAIDOC celebrations.
Our special guests were Students of SNSP (Noongar Sports Programme) who educated & entertained our school audiences with their traditional & contemporary dances and stories.

It was great to see the NAIDOC theme of Change – the next step is yours, utilised in the dancers’ programme with their expression of dance styles. Also as SNSP are a Sports Programme, it is obvious and great to see how proud and healthy these students are due to their strict physical routine of exercise that they must endure in order to perform at such a high level.

It was also great to see how confident and happy these students were to perform for other students.

Mrs Deb Cotter
AIEO

Soccer Strip Uniform
Can all students who ordered football strips back in December last year now please come forward and collect their order*. Mrs Cassidy has offered to open the Uniform Shop from 8.30am-10.00am every Thursday this term for students to collect their strips, with payment of cash or cheque. A complete strip (shorts, shirt and socks) costs $80.00.

*VETTA were delayed in delivery due to the Queensland floods.

Sponsorship/Funding
If there are any parents from the school who own a business and would be interested in sponsoring the Football Academy, please contact Mr Nigel Jones on 9376 5555.

Parking
Student Drop-Off & Pick-Up
Please be reminded that the school grounds are not to be used for the picking up or dropping off of students. This is a safety issue and persons ignoring the signs may be issued with an infringement notice. The current fine is $60.00. There is a parent pick-up and drop-off area on Widgee Road. This area should be used for picking up and dropping off students. Parents may also use the verge on Bramwell Road for parking to pick up and drop off students. This includes early drop-off for Football/Sports or Period 0 classes.
I am sure you have seen the new solar powered 40 kilometre per hour road signs on Widgee Road. The P&C wishes to express their appreciation to Mr Ian Britza MLA for his assistance in obtaining the placement of these signs. As parents we can all rest a little more comfortably in seeing our children off to school knowing we have this little bit of extra safety on the road leading to our school.

I have to voice a real problem that faces our P&C and our school. That is, lack of participation on the part of the parents of the school. At present there are only seven or eight parents who are active members of the P&C.

Four of these active members have students who will be graduating from Morley this year. It does not appear these members are going to continue their active involvement in the P&C past their children's graduation. I am concerned we will not be able to form a P&C next year because of lack of participants. Our P&C constitution requires minimum and essential office bearers in order to exist. Since the P&C is the owner of the canteen, if there is no P&C there is no canteen.

In the past the canteen profits have provided the school and the students with numerous benefits. If the canteen is closed, not only will the students not have a source for morning tea and lunch, but the school will not receive the benefits from the profits ploughed back into our school.

Now is the time for you to step forward and start participating in this process. You will be amazed at how much better you will feel and how much good you will do! Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 15 August 2011 at 7:30pm.

Michele Drieberg, P&C President

**SIR CHARLES COURT YOUNG LEADERS’ PROGRAM**

Once again Morley SHS has been successful in gaining a place in this prestigious programme. Only 30 students from around the state are selected. **Congratulations go to Saul Healy of Year 10.**

Selected students have been recognised as potential leaders, have a vision for the future, are active in community or school life and have an interest in History – oriented subjects.

The Sir Charles Court Young Leaders’ Programme has encouraged young students to recognise their potential, extend their horizons, become involved in community issues and develop long lasting friendships with others with whom they now have a common bond.

**The 2011 theme is “A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step”.**

The programme will take place from 10th – 14th July, 2011, and is sponsored by Curtin University of Technology and the History Teachers’ Association of WA.

Norman Paini, Head of Department - Society & Environment
ACHPER Dance Festival

Congratulations to the Dance students (from years 9-11) who participated in this year’s ACHPER Dance Festival. It was held at “The Lady Wardle Performing Arts Centre” St. Mary’s Anglican Girls’ School in Karrinyup, on Thursday the 2nd June.

Morley SHS Dance students performed magnificently and were professional in their manner on the night.

A big note of thanks to Mrs Larcombe who contributed to make the evening a success. Thanks also go to those who gave us valuable audience support on the night. We hope to see you at our next performance.

Kerry Hinkley, Dance Coordinator

Year 12 Students Certificate II

The 17 Year 12 students completing the Certificate II in Sport Coaching - Football are more than half way through their Senior First Aid qualification.

Instructors, School Nurse, Mr Ray Oliver, and Football Academy Coordinator Mr Jones commend the way all students have embraced the challenge.

FINAL WINNERS

The Year 9 Boys won the recent Year 9 Football Carnival beating Mirrabooka in the Final 2-1.

This success is similar to that of the Year 10 boys who, back in April’s Football Carnival, were triumphant and now progress to the Metro Tournament to be held in August.

Well done boys! Mr Nigel Jones, Football Academy Coordinator

Scoliosis and Girls - Important Self-Test

Dear Parents of Year 9 Girls, it is important that all girls in Year 9 go to the Spine Society Website at www.scoliosis-australia.org and follow the links to the Self Detection Brochure, or check with the School Nurse for a copy.

Automotive Help

The Automotive area is looking for a car that is reasonably roadworthy, but not necessarily licensed, for students to work on. Our current car has reached the limit of its usefulness. Please contact Mr Chris Cardy, Teacher-in-Charge, Design and Technology, at the school, if you can assist.