Students came to School on Sunday!!

“Clean Up Australia Day” was held on Sunday 4th March and students from Morley SHS came to school to clean up the bushland area of the school.

Thanks to the following students who gave up two hours of their Sunday to take part in this Australia wide clean up:

Zoe Kalimeris  Samantha Yap  Michael New  Tom Leicester  Colin Pattison

Emma Zollo  and  Keenan Fredericks

We collected over twenty bags of rubbish - mainly plastic bottles, cans and glass drink bottles. Special “Thanks” to Fonterra Brands for the refreshing orange juice at the end of the clean up.

Mr Norman Paini, HOD - Society & Environment

Mock Trial Competition 2012

It is with great pleasure that I announce that Morley SHS will have two teams in this prestigious competition for 2012. Morley SHS is one of only two government schools that have won this competition.

Students will be involved in three compulsory rounds and we have already started rehearsals. These take place on Thursday afternoon in the school library from 3.30pm-5.00pm. Our coach will once again be Mr John Rando. Mr Lacy and Mrs Muir will also work with the students. The trials will take place in the Supreme Court in Perth.

Students will also be eligible for credit points towards graduation under the Community Endorsed Program scheme of the Curriculum Council. A mock trial consists of barristers, solicitors, witnesses, court orderlies and judges assistants competing against each other to win the case and gain sufficient points to win the round.

The teams are:

**Morley 1**
Year 12s; Samantha Yap, Zoe Kalimeris, Caitlin Morrissey, Rashmi Hemmige, Denise Magtuto, Fay Al Birkawi, Emma Zollo, Cameron Pilbeam, Nathan Riley and **Year 11**, Michaela Craddock.

**Morley 2**
Year 11s, Cindy Tran, Christy Vu, Keenan Fredericks. Year 10s; Ines Rajhel, Gia Kalimeris, Atarau Watene, Nidal Saeed, Elizabeth Callaway, Jessica Nguyen, Belgin Yussufow, Demi Anderson Judith Steinberg and Caitlin Robinson.

Best wishes to both teams in the competition.

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Department - Society & Environment
Notice of Morley Senior High School, P&C - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, Monday, 19 March at 7:30pm

The current members of the Morley SHS P&C wish to welcome new and returning students and families. The P&C conducts regular monthly meetings on the third Monday of the month at 7:30PM.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held Monday, 19 March at 7:30pm. This is the meeting where all parents elect office holders and appoint committee members. The attendance of Morley parents and family members is essential to our operation for the coming year. A fee of $1.00 is required to become a financial voting member. Wine and refreshments will be served.

For the new families, you will find the role of P&C at the high school level significantly more interesting than that at primary school. Firstly, our P&C has a greater involvement in school matters. Secondly, there are no fund raising campaigns. The P&C is a true management committee, of sorts, controlling our professionally staffed canteen. Thirdly, you will not be required to volunteer in the canteen as it is staffed with professional personnel.

Here are a few great reasons to become a member of the Morley P&C:

- Make a difference
- Learn about your community
- Develop leadership skills
- Keep active
- Make new friends
- Take on new challenges
- Share your enthusiasm
- Become part of a team
- Help create the kind of school community you want for your child

Morley P&C has some very exciting management decisions to make in 2012 and I want every parent to make an effort to be a part of it this year. Please join us at our AGM.

Michele Drieberg, P&C President

Morley Senior High School Year 12 Photo Day
(Background Information)

Year 12 School Photo Day, like other photo days is not central to a school’s core business but it does have a cohesive function in contributing to school ethos and tradition, especially for Year 12 students who see it as a transitional marker of their movement to tertiary studies, professional training or the work force itself. It retains this value for school students and parents after school has been left far behind.

Morley Senior High School supports this tradition. Additionally, the idea of a ‘fun’ photo which has evolved in recent years in relation to Year 12 students, has school support, on the express understanding that it is a privilege which may be withdrawn, if expected norms of respect or school rules are violated in any way, or elements of indiscipline, cultural insensitivity, racial offence, even if unintended, intrude into the programme. The school has long standing norms, practices and expectations regarding all of these issues and Staff see it as their duty of pastoral care to promote their understanding and strict adherence.

Within these parameters, it has been a well established practice at Morley, to display the Australian national flag as a daily ritual but ban the display of other national and ethnic flags or symbols in the interest of ensuring all due respect to these and avoiding any possible offence, even if unintended.

Accordingly, at all school functions Morley Senior High School reserves the right through its Principal and Staff to ensure that these norms are strictly adhered to and to take appropriate and timely action, should any violation or indiscretion occur, even if offence is not strictly intended. Recently, a departure from these norms made it necessary for Principal and staff to call off the Year 12 photo shoot.

Senior Staff, Morley SHS
Principal’s Report
Dear Parents

School Charges
Thank you to those parents who have so promptly paid their school charges. We greatly appreciate your support in this regard. Be assured your effort assists in the provision of more interesting class offerings to students.

Automotive Trade Centre
Our centre is now operational with students enjoying the new facilities. Added to this, students from Balga and Mirrabooka have been able to access the facilities where there has been some spare capacity in the timetable.

Open Reporting –
4.00pm – 7.00pm on Wednesday 4th April.
Parents are reminded to visit with their child to discuss progress to date with teachers. Such interactions between parents and school have been shown to greatly enhance student achievement. We look forward to meeting with you.

On behalf of staff I thank you for your continued support without which we could not operate.

Sincerely,
Gay Fortune,
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS TO
JOANNA LIM - YEAR 12
We congratulate Joanna on achieving a good pass in the highly demanding level of the Japanese Proficiency Test. The test involved listening, reading and writing (grammar) and was held at Curtin University. There were many participants from across the state and Joanna is to be complimented on her successful result. The Japanese Language Proficiency Test is conducted internationally by the Japan Foundation and Japan Educational Exchanges and Services. School communities again congratulate her. Omedetou!

Ms Yuko Urban
Japanese Teacher

AVIATION PARENT SUPPORT GROUP
Calling all parents of our school’s Aviation students. Come and offer your support and ideas to our aviation parent group. Light refreshments available.
Next meeting:
When: Wednesday 21st March 2012;
Where: School Administration Building
Time: 5:30pm

ENROLMENTS — CALLING ALL YEAR 7s
We are still taking enrolments for entry into Year 8 at Morley SHS for 2012. If you need an enrolment form, our office hours are 8.00am - 4.00pm. For further information contact us on 9376 5555.

OTHER YEARS
Enrolments for Years 9 - 12 for 2012 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

FOSTER NOW.. ASK ME HOW.. WANSLEA FAMILY SERVICES
Do you have room in your heart and home for a child in need? If you would like to find out how you can make a difference for a night, a week, months or years, please come along to WANSLEA’s information session on SATURDAY 24 MARCH from 12.00 -2.00pm at 311-313 Abernethy Road, Cloverdale WA 6105. Light refreshments provided. To RSVP and for more information please call 9245 2441 or email support@wanslea.asn.au
Check us out online: www.fosternow.com.au
**Don’t’ Miss Out on the Education Tax Refund (ETR)**

The Australian Government is helping you with the costs of educating your kids. The Government has changed the ETR to include school-approved uniforms, purchased from 1 July 2011. Items of clothing including hats, footwear and sports uniforms approved by a school as its uniform may be claimed from 1 July 2012. So keep your receipts for school uniforms so you can claim them at Tax Time 2012.

The **ETR provides up to 50% back on a range of children's education expenses.** For the 2010–11 tax year refunds may be as much as $397 for every child at primary school, and up to $794 for every child at secondary school. The amount of the refund increases each year in line with the Consumer Price Index. In the 2011-12 tax year your refund could be as much as $409 for primary kids and $818 for secondary students. The website helps you decide if you are eligible and explains what you can claim and how to claim everything you are entitled to. Keep your receipts. You need them to calculate your refund and you may need to show them as proof of purchase.

**What is the ETR**
The ETR helps with the cost of educating primary and secondary school children. Eligible parents, carers, legal guardians and independent students are able to get money back on education expenses. These include items like computers, educational software, textbooks and stationery. You may get 50% of your money back. If you get Family Tax Benefit (FTB) Part A, you probably are eligible for the ETR. There are also some payments that prevent you from receiving FTB Part A, but which still entitle you to receive the refund. You can also claim the refund if you are an independent student. For more information, see [Am I eligible?](http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au/) on the website. You can claim the ETR for children in primary and/or secondary school. You need to keep your receipts as you need them to calculate your entitlement and you may need them as proof of purchase. You can claim the ETR even if you do not have to lodge a tax return.


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**RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA**

Understanding Stepfamily Relationships - Workshops:
- Sat 24th March at West Leederville, and Sat 16th June at Fremantle.

Stepfamilies and blended families operate in a different way to intact biological families. The dynamics of a stepfamily are more complex and there is a need for special understanding and management from both biological parents and stepparents working together for a healthy stepfamily growth to happen.

In this workshop you will:
- find out what is and what isn’t helpful
- learn how to grow a strong and loving couple relationship
- learn how to manage discipline and understand the needs of the children
- have an opportunity to address particular issues within the group.

For further information please phone 9489 6322

Many thanks for your support, Bridget John, Relationships Australia

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**Bassendean Caledonian Junior Soccer Football Club** -
Jubilee Reserve - Northmoor Road, Eden Hill, 6054

**2012 Junior Players Wanted**
Looking for players aged 12-18 years for girls’ and boys’ teams. Football West accredited coaches will train you under lights starting late February. All Club Coaches & staff have Working with Children clearance.

Call: Ken Bloomer on 0410 795 007
Helen Jay on 0407 111 240