Harmony Week 19th - 23rd March

Morley SHS has parents and students coming from over 65 different countries from all over the world - our own United Nations. As such it was appropriate for us to celebrate this occasion. Harmony week is jointly supported by both the Commonwealth and State governments. Our celebrations started by flying both the Australian and the United Nations flags form our school flag poles.

The theme this year is “Celebrate WA’s diversity” and “Everyone Belongs”

Since 1945, seven million people have migrated to Australia. We identify with more than 270 ancestries and today, 45% of Australians are either born overseas or have a parent who were.

Our celebrations included lunchtime activities - for example, Spirit of Africa, which was a drum performance by George Joe and Sally Quealy; a replay of the “World Game” (soccer) on the big screen and a performance by the MSHS rock band and guitar ensemble. The Library also had a display.

On Wednesday all members of the school community received orange ribbons to wear. It was a special week to celebrate our cultural diversity and to rejoice in the diversity.

Special Thanks go to the Music Department, Mr Paini’s Career and Enterprise Year 12 class, Mrs Medwid and Mr Baroni from the Library and the School Administration.

Mr Norman Paini
Head of Department - Society & Environment

LEO OF THE YEAR QUEST

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce that Michael New and Zoe Kalimeris are finalists in the state finals of this competition. Both Michael and Zoe have been members of Morley Leos since 2007 and are now members of the executive of the club.

The finals will take place on Saturday 31st March at the Mandurah Lions club. They will take part in an interview and then present a five minute speech. Best wishes to both Michael and Zoe.

Mr Norman Paini
Coordinator Morley Leos
Dear Parents

As Term 1 draws to a close, on behalf of Staff and Students, I thank you for your usual steadfast support on which we depend so much.

Students will not return to school until Thursday, 26 April following the ANZAC holiday on Wednesday, 25 April.

During the School Development days on Monday, 23 and Tuesday 24 April, staff will work on the National Curriculum. Implementation in English, Mathematics and History is formally scheduled for July 2012.

Morley, like many schools, is already in different phases of implementation relative to subjects and approaches and there is still much to be done. To assist us we will have Ms Pamela Stewart, Consultant Manager, Australian Curriculum Strategy, Asia Education Foundation, who will attend on the Monday to work with staff on the National Capabilities – which include, Literacy, Numeracy and Computer Studies; National Teaching Standards and Asian Studies for the Asian Century. Additional to Ms Stewart we will have Mr Ross Sweeney (ex Principal, Como SHS) to examine with staff the issues related to the Independent Schools Movement. Staff will also review some global trends in Educational Reform.

Overall, this will be clearly a busy and challenging time for staff. We wish them well in their explorations.

Open Reporting Night – 4 April
By now you will have collected your child’s report and discussed his/her progress with staff. Clearly progress rated at “4 or 5” is cause for concern. Therefore, I ask parents to work closely with the school to develop methods of dealing with less than desirable progress. In this way with good planning deleterious trends can be halted and the school motto, “Together We Achieve” will, hopefully, be manifested in our proactive strategies.

New Roof
We have been notified by the Facilities Branch in Head Office that our roof, of some forty two years is to be replaced. While we are very happy about this, there will, inevitably, be some inconvenience in the second part of the year. However, work will not be conducted during the Year 12 Examination period in November.

Best wishes for the Easter break and holiday period. Keep safe and we look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.

Sincerely,
Gay Fortune,
Principal
Chinese Excursion

During March, eight Year 11 and ten Year 10 students had a wonderful excursion. At first, students went to the Chinese Paper-Cut and Painting Exhibition in Perth Town Hall. After that, students had a taste of Chinese Dim Sim and bubble tea at Northbridge. Everyone enjoyed the lunch and, of course, the excursion.

Mrs Esther Ng, Teacher-in-Charge, Languages

“International Women’s Day” Breakfast

“International Women’s Day” is celebrated each year on March 8th. It is a wonderful opportunity for women across the world to come together and celebrate the gains women have made in society.

Morley Senior High School celebrated “International Women’s Day” with a Breakfast on Wednesday, 7 March which was held in our School Library. Years 9 & 10 House Leaders arrived promptly at 6.45 am for last minute preparations. Guests were greeted by the students and accompanied to their tables. Guests included former students and staff, parents from the Morley SHS Community, and other successful female community members. Music students provided background music throughout the Breakfast. Our School Captain, Jelena Keselj, and Vice Captain, Samantha Yap, were our MCs for the morning, and we are extremely proud of their professional presentation.

Morley Senior High School is extremely proud of our students’ achievements. We have been very fortunate to have former students from diverse sectors share their experiences and expertise with us on this special day. All speakers have been inspiring and worthy role models for us all. This year’s guest was no exception. We were very proud to have former Morley Senior High School student Chrystal Makene join us.

Chrystal graduated from Morley Senior High School in 2001. It is interesting to note that in the 2001 year book, Chrystal’s wish was “to make a difference”. We know that as a School Psychologist, Chrystal has certainly made a difference in many students’ lives.

We sincerely thank Chrystal for sharing her journey with us; we are extremely proud of her many accomplishments and wish her the very best!

Mrs Ivana Gaglia
Technology and Enterprise Teacher

TERM 2 DATES;

STUDENT RETURN THURSDAY 26TH APRIL 2012
OFFICE OPENS MONDAY 23RD APRIL
ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY WEDNESDAY 25TH APRIL - SCHOOL CLOSED
MINISTER’S AVIATION AWARD INTERVIEWS

On the 7th of December 2011, Andrew Booth attended the state government’s Minister’s Aviation Award interviews.

Only one Aviation student from WA had the chance to win this award of $2500. Joined by students from other West Australian aviation schools, Andrew faced a panel of Aviation professionals who questioned him about current aviation trends, his involvement in aviation and his future plans. Although he did not win the award, Andrew put in his best effort and was a close runner up to the award recipient. Well done Andrew.

Mrs Brigid Tait, Aviation Teacher

Morley Chinese Hub Day

On November 2011, Morley Senior High School students went on an all day cultural excursion, as a reward, along with the Morley Chinese Hub (Morley Primary School, Noranda Primary School and Weld Square Primary School). Students participated in many fun activities in the Balcatta Chung Wah Community and Aged Care Centre. Afterwards, we got the chance to eat some delicious authentic Chinese Dim Sim for lunch at a Chinese restaurant.

Well done Andrew.

Mrs Esther Ng, Teacher-in-Charge, Languages

UNITED NATIONS YOUTH WA- STATE CONFERENCE

Gia Kalimeris (Yr 10), Michaela Cradock (Yr 11) and Nathan Riley (Yr 12), represented Morley SHS at this state conference. The three day camp took place at Ern Halliday Recreation Camp in Hillarys.

On Friday, countries were assigned to students and there were ice breaker games so that the delegates could introduce themselves. The evening ended with games. On Saturday, the delegates were placed into groups to come up with clauses for discussion relating to the “United Nations Group Issues for Youth in Motion”. Once this was completed the delegates participated in debates for each of the Councils of - Peace and Security, Human Rights, the Environment and Economic and Social Issues. On Saturday night the delegates voted on the Youth in Motions clauses and then the evening finished with a “disco”.

On Sunday morning the delegates participated in a seven hour debate regarding world issues.

Comments from delegates;
“The camp was amazing”; “If you get the opportunity go for it!”
“I would go back again next year.”

Mr Norman Paini, Head of Department - Society & Environment

CITY OF BAYSWATER NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS

| Date: Tuesday 17 April & Thursday 19 April | Place: The RISE, 28 Eighth Avenue, Maylands |
| Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm | Cost: Free |

Eligibility: person must be aged 10-18 and live, attend school or work in the City of Bayswater. The City of Bayswater is inviting young photographers aged 10 to 18 years to get creative and join a free photography workshop being held during National Youth Week! Please see below for further information about dates and times of the workshops:

**Workshop for ages 10 to 13 years**
- Date: Tuesday 17 April 2012
- Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm

**Workshop for ages 14 to 18 years**
- Date: Thursday 19 April 2012
- Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm

For further info/registration, please contact Gemma, Community Development Officer, on 9272 0658.

Youth Photography Competition—The City of Bayswater is calling for young photographers aged 10 to 18 to enter the Youth Photography Competition. Entrants must submit a photo addressing the theme ‘What is important to you?’ in one of the following categories: **Being Young**  **Family**  **Community**  **Faces**
Worldly Women’s Day Event

On the 8th of March, 16 Year 10 students attended the International Women’s Day Business Event sponsored by Rio Tinto at the Hyatt Hotel in Perth. The day featured a careers’ expo where a number of educational and corporate institutions had displays and offered information on why students should consider a career pathway involving them. In addition, the students were treated to speeches by four highly successful and inspiring WA women over a delicious and healthy lunch. The presenters were Yvonne Henderson, the Commissioner for Equal Opportunity, Holly Ransom of Level Up Leadership, Dr. Michelle Ammerer of Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, and Monique Swanson of Rio Tinto. The students were also lucky enough to have a question and answer session where a few Morley students were brave enough to ask some very probing questions about how these women got to where they are today.

All the students got a great deal out of the day. Here are some of the lessons learned:

"Holly taught me that without passion there is no point to doing something." - Judith Steinberg.

"I learned from Dr Michelle Ammerer to keep fighting for what you want despite the setbacks you receive." - Fatmah Mahfouz.

"I learned that gender doesn't matter." Salomia Terebent.

I would like to thank the students for their exemplary behaviour and representing Morley Senior High School with distinction.

Mr Andrew Lacy, Society and Environment Teacher

P&C News

The P&C held their Annual General Meeting on Monday, 19 March 2012. The Office Bearers for 2012 are:

President: Michele Drieberg  Vice President: Vicki Blyth
Secretary: Charmaine Pedrick  Treasurer: Jack Garber

School Council Members are:
Chairperson: Jack Garber  Members: Michele Drieberg, Sheryl Hinscliff

The P&C would like to welcome the new members: Charmaine Pedrick, Sheryl Hinscliff, Ron Maas, Yonit Silman and Natalie Davis-Chugg

It is with the deepest appreciation we farewell four long-term members of the P&C, Sharon Belts, Everlyn DeVatimo, Barry Nott and Mario D’Ovidio. These former members of the MSHS P&C will be dearly missed. They have dedicated five to six years to the P&C and have worked tirelessly to make MSHS a better place for our children. They have also been instrumental in remodelling toilet blocks, adding shaded recreational areas, installing air conditioning, running the canteen and making many more improvements to the school during their tenure on the P&C. They provided a valuable example of community support and spirit. We all wish to say a loud and hearty, “Thank you!”.

In ‘Other Business’, the P&C has voted to change its meeting time to 7.00pm. One half hour earlier from the old time of 7.30pm. We hope this change will make it more convenient for a larger number of parents and carers to attend our meetings. Because of the school holidays, our next meeting will not be until Monday, 21 May 2012 at the new time of 7.00pm. As always, I would like to encourage as many new members as possible to attend. This is an important time in your child’s life and you can make a difference with just one hour a month of your time to attend a P&C meeting. Be there and make a difference!

Respectfully,
Mrs Michele Drieberg, President, P&C
From the 6th to the 8th March, Six students from Morley Senior High School attended a gliding camp at Beverley Soaring Society in Beverley.

We experienced first-hand how to fly in a non-powered aircraft. We learned how to stall and spin and how to recover from them. All of the students that attended this camp, including me, will never forget this experience and we hope we can return next year.

The question I get asked most frequently is “How do you fly with no engine?” We are towed up by a powered aircraft up to 2000 feet or 3000 feet, then we release the tug rope and we search for thermals. Thermals are ovals of rising hot air that will produce lift on your aircraft and cause your glider to climb and climb.

As soon as my friends and I left, we immediately wanted to go back and spend longer there. It was an incredible experience being able to be in the air consecutively for three days. We all three loved it and remember everything we did and learnt. The instructors taught us much more than we could ever learn and experience inside the classroom including the aerodynamic differences between a powered aircraft and a non-powered aircraft.

At the camp we also got to spend quality time and learn more about each other. It was a good opportunity to get to know the teacher, Mrs Tait, and the other guardians really well.

I had tremendous fun on this camp and we, the students, realise that the chance to do this is very rare. On behalf of Morley Senior High School I would like to thank Beverley Soaring Society and the volunteer instructors for giving up their own time to come and instruct us and fly with us.

Without them all this would not have been possible.

Jayden McLean Year 11 Student
2012 Interschool Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to those Students who were chosen to represent Morley Senior High School in the Interschool Swimming Carnival on Monday 12th March.

The Morley SHS swim team travelled to Challenge Stadium to compete against five other W.A High Schools. Our students gave their best efforts and swam extremely well with the following swimmers being placed first, second or third in their events:

Isabella Davis-Chugg, Hayley Sorgiovanni, Brittney Draper, Jordan Doropoulos, Luke Selfe, Tom Murphy, Nathan Riley, Trent Pasitoa, Philip Chudon and Daniel Ogilvie.

Morley also finished off with a few students being placed in the individual championships for their age group. Congratulations to Isabella Chugg-Davis who finished 3rd in the 13 girls' division on 16 points, Jordan Doropoulos and Luke Selfe who finished equal 3rd in the 17 boys' division on 9 points. Also congratulations to Daniel Ogilvie who finished runner up Champion boy on 31 points in the 15 boys' age group and Hayley Sorgiovanni who finished Champion Girl in the 14 girls' division on 56 points. This is a great achievement and we are very proud of our talented swimmers.

Well done to all our swim team members on the great way you represented our school on Monday. Also, a big thank you to Pat Hughes, and the year 11 students who came to help officiate on the day. You did a great job, well done!

Mrs Lindsay Aldrick and Mr Mark Selfe, Physical Education Teachers

SOCCER UPDATES

Next term the school soccer team will be competing against all other State Soccer Specialist Schools, being, John Curtin SHS, Lynwood SHS, Woodvale SHS, Safety Bay SHS and Darling Range Sports College. We look forward to a challenging and positive season.

On Saturday 24th March, Melbourne Victory came to play Perth Glory. Julius Davies, a former student who was on the Soccer Specialist Programme for 3½ years (2006-2010), represented Melbourne Victory.

Julius performed well infront of the crowd of 10,000 fans playing alongside the likes of Harry Kewell. Julius is seen acknowledging Mr Jones at the end of the match. Julius was an A-Class student for the soccer team and always represented the school to the best of his ability.

It was a milestone for Morley Football Academy, to see one of its initial students of 2006 playing professionally here in Perth.

Mr Nigel Jones, Head of Soccer

NORANDA WOLVES JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

Quiz Night - Saturday 19th May at the Morley/Noranda Recreation Centre Help support the children’s soccer club, tables of 8-10 $10 per person. Enquiries/Bookings contact Sue Murphy 0412 132 947
VALENTINES DAY

It was that time of year when ‘love blossomed again’! On the 14th of February, roses were handed out to a number of people. Even though we didn't make much of a profit, we still think it was great to see so many people smiling, so we see the sales as a success! Students ordered roses the week before and had the option of writing a note to the person. Year 12s then went around to the tutes, on the day, handing them out. Even though it had been busy, it was a joyful week. A big thank you to Mrs Larcombe for ordering the roses and envelopes!

Jelena Keselj, School Captain, Yr 12

D A N C E  N E W S :

The ACHPER DANCE FESTIVAL is coming up next term and limited tickets will be available from Ms Hinkley in the PE office. Dance students from Years 9 to 12 are involved and will be performing with other High Schools.

Details are as follows:
VENUE – St Mary’s Anglican Girls’ School, Karrinyup
DATE – Monday 25th June (evening performance)

Ms Kerry Hinkley, Dance Coordinator

Beechboro Eagles Junior Soccer Club

Do you want to play soccer? Do you want to join a club that offers a friendly, family orientated atmosphere and openly promotes participation, enjoyment of the game and above all, having fun?

Beechboro Eagles’ Junior Soccer Club is seeking players from age groups from 12 years to 14 years and, our fees are less than many other clubs.

For further information please call Glenn on 0419 903 300 or email beechboroeagles@gmail.com or visit us at Rosher Park, Rosher Road Lockridge between 6.00pm and 7.00pm Wednesdays and Fridays...

Glenn Stalkey, President - Beechboro Eagles Junior Soccer Club

Raising Girls - a workshop for dads

Find out how you can build a rewarding father-daughter relationship. As the primary male role model in a girl’s life, fathers play an important role in the development of their self-concept and self esteem. This affects how they relate to others, particularly to boys and men.

This workshop will discuss:
- common myths and mistakes around father-daughter relationships
- the importance of the father-daughter relationship
- what daughters need from their dads
- practical ways to improve and maintain a positive and rewarding father-daughter relationship.

When: Wed 4 April 2012 Where: 1 Ord Street, Fremantle
Time: 6.30 – 9.00pm Fee: $25 per person

Places are limited so book now on 9489 6322