Principal’s Report

Congratulations to:

- **Emma Martin, Bria Harper & Mathilda Humphries**  
  who have been selected for the Schools Spectacular Central Choir

As many of you are now aware, our whole ‘A’ Block building was affected by the fire which completely destroyed our Administration offices last Wednesday.

Further to my Community Briefing notice that was distributed on Monday, I would like to provide the following update.

 Contractors have been working tirelessly to ensure minimal disruption to the school. We anticipate the top floor of ‘A’ Block will be ready by next Tuesday. This will mean the English faculty and school counsellors can go back to their regular rooms and that there will be additional rooms for classes. This will reduce the number of room changes currently taking place.

Phone systems are gradually being restored, however we still only have one main reception line. The fax line is now operational, however, as it is within the construction site, we are only able to access faxes once a day. The main Administration area will remain at the Language Centre (old house) until a full refurbishment of their offices is complete.

I would like to thank staff, parents and students for their understanding and cooperation during this very stressful and chaotic time. Thanks must also go to the JOSS contractors and DEC personnel who are working above and beyond to return us to normal operations and to the community for their offers of support.

Mr Darryl Ward  
Principal

INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS ENTERING YEAR 11 IN 2015

Year 10 students were each issued with a blue coloured booklet titled "A Guide to the Preliminary Course Year 11 2015 and HSC Course Year 12 2016" last week. This booklet describes each of the courses that will be initially offered to the student cohort at Albury High School next year. The additional course structure set up by the school to assist students not wanting to qualify for an ATAR rank - the "Employment Pathways Program", is provided as an alternative to the rigorous Board of Studies developed courses students study to achieve entrance to university.

To assist students and parents in selecting courses, an Information Evening is being held in the school hall on Wednesday 6th August commencing at 7:30pm. All Year 10 students and parents are invited to attend this information evening. The process of selection will be explained by the Timetable Committee to all students after this meeting.
INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 8 STUDENTS ENTERING YEAR 9 IN 2015
To assist students and parents in selecting elective courses for study in Years 9 & 10, a Year 8 Information Evening is being held in the school hall on Wednesday 20th August commencing at 7:30pm. All Year 8 students and parents are invited to attend this information evening. The middle school course prospectus booklet is currently being edited and will be issued well before the information evening and the subsequent selection process is undertaken. There will be ongoing dialogue in Careers and Guidance classes to assist students with their elective choices.

Mr Andrew King
Deputy Principal - Senior School

QUEENSLAND YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS
Laura Thomson attended the Queensland Youth Championships in early July. She competed in the Laser 4.7 division against 38 other boats (boys & girls combined), with skippers ranging in age from 12 to 19 years (Laura is only 14).

Over the 4 day regatta Laura managed to finish 13th Overall and was the 4th Girl and 4th Victorian. This was a fantastic effort given her age and that she beat some of the boys in the Victorian State Team.

Mr Damian Toohey
Deputy Principal - Junior School

MOUNT HOTHAM MERLIN MAGIC WAND INTERSCHOOL’S COMPETITION
Sarah Morgan, year 9, competed in the Mount Hotham Merlin Magic Wand Interschool’s Competition over the weekend of 19th and 20th July.

Sarah competed in the Giant Slalom Ski and Giant Slalom Snowboard race on the Saturday and placed first in her division and was awarded a gold medal.

On Sunday she competed in the Skier Cross race and again placed first in her division and was awarded a gold medal.

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St Matthew’s Monster GARAGE Sale and CAR BOOT Sale at ADAMSURST 603 David Street Albury Saturday 2nd August 8 am - 12 pm $20.00 per car, bring along your treasures and make some money Payment must be made by Monday 28th July at St Matthew’s Office (next to the Church) Positions will be allocated, book early to secure a spot

COME ALONG AND FIND SOME GREAT BARGAINS
EXPRESSO COFFEE VAN, BBQ, Plants, Homemade cakes, Vintage Clothing, Baby Items, Car Parts, Furniture, Bric-a-Brac, Handmade Goods, Books, Toys

WEEKS 4 & 5 COMING EVENTS
Monday August 4th Trial HSC Exams commence
Wednesday August 6th Information Night 7.30pm for students going into Year 11 in 2015