Albert Einstein argued that time was a relative concept and while I don’t understand the finer points of the Theory of Relativity, I do know that not all time feels the same. Certainly, the time seems to be slipping by at an ever increasing pace as the end of the year begins to loom large. Year 12 exams are drawing to a close and I wish to thank staff for the way they have supported and coached students through this stressful time. Students, families and staff will join together on Monday night to celebrate at the Valedictory Dinner. Exams commence next week for students in Years 9-11.

At the other end of the College, we held our first transition day for 2017 Preps. The excitement and enthusiasm was wonderful to see. Last week we hosted an Art Show and MY9 expo to showcase the creative talents of our students. Thank you to all the families who attended and it was a privilege to also welcome Mr Tom Brennen and his wife Robyn to this event.

The Headstart program allows students currently in Years 7-11, a chance to ‘step into’ their 2017 classes. We will use a new timetable for these 2 weeks and where possible, students will be taught by their 2017 subject teacher. This particularly allows VCE classes to commence and for holiday work to be set. While Prep-Year 6 are not formally involved in the program, Specialist lessons those 2 weeks will operate according to the new timetable. No doubt there will be some operational complexities but many schools operate a similar program with a number of benefits.

Progress is underway on the Junior School building site and by the end of the year, we expect to see the foundations laid and construction of the framework commencing. Please note the plans and elevation drawings are in the foyer of the Junior School.

Ministry News

As I write this, the nation of America is waking up to the news that Donald Trump is President-elect. Similarly surprising pieces of political news from 2016 have changed the landscape of international politics, including Brexit (Britain’s vote to exit the EU). I don’t want to make political comment here, but rather reflect briefly on how we respond to our leaders and political systems in uncertain times.

St Paul writes in 1 Timothy 2, ‘I urge first of all that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings (leaders) and all in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.’

We are urged to pray for our leaders and all in authority. We are encouraged to work for peace, and to live lives that enhance our societies. This is pleasing to God because it’s good for people. Lakeside College works not only to educate students in academics but to form them towards being good citizens and knowing the truth. God’s ultimate wish is not only that we have ‘peace on earth’ but that we have ‘peace with God’ and know the unchanging truth of God’s love and care for us through Jesus – a great thing to hang on to in uncertain times!
Year 4 have been exploring cinquain poems. A cinquain poem is a verse of five lines that do not rhyme. Below are some example the students have written about different fears.

**Bananas**
Yuck, gooey; Disgusting, murdering, disturbing; Are the yuckiest fruit ever - Bananaphobia - Max

**Cancer**
Heart-breaking, scary; Frightening, killing, sickening; A sad illness - Carcinophobia - Amy

**Diseases**
Deadly, Contagious; Horrifying, Devastating, Killing It’s why you get vaccines - Nosophobia - William

**Lion**
Fearless, hungry; Running, roaring, hunting; A dangerous animal - Ailurophobia - Mason

**Heights**
Frightening Squeamish; Petrifying, screaming, rushing; The day on the rollercoaster - Acrophobia - Lana

**Murderers**
Terrorists, killers; Stabbing stalking hurting; They break into your home at night - Scelerophobia - Caitie

**Clowns,**
Creepy, Colourful; Bone-Chilling, Heart-beating, Laughing, A Night At The Circus - Coulrophobia - Kaelan

**Wasp**
Painful, brutal; Buzzing, hovering, stinging; Running away from an insect - Spheksophobia - Jeremy

**Monsters**
Blood-curling, heart-beating; Frightening, terrifying, killing Nightmares under your bed - Tetraphobia - Grace

Sam Connell
Year 4 Teacher

The end of the year, suddenly, is not so far away. Nonetheless, there is still plenty of learning to be done this year. Next week, the Year 9s will have exams in English, Maths and Science. The following week, all students from Years 7 and above will begin their “Head-start” program where they will begin work on their subjects for next year. This is an exciting opportunity which will allow for an even richer curriculum for 2017.

Last Friday the Year 9 students presented their MY9 projects as part of Art/MY9 Show. I want to extend my congratulations to all of the students who worked so hard throughout the year on their MY9 projects and remained dedicated to their goals. The hard-work, persistence and creativity were evident in your efforts. It really is a rewarding experience to be able to see so many great ideas come through to completion.

I have had the opportunity to visit the Year 6 Art class a couple of times over the past few weeks. They are doing some really great work on their aprons and stencils. It is exciting to see students working outside of a traditional classroom and doing such creative things. Thank you to Ms Benn for inviting me into your class and to the Year 6s for taking the time to show me your great work. Keep it up!

Don’t forget the Summer Music Showcase on the 2nd of December. All students from Years 6-9 are expected to perform with their class. There is a huge amount of effort that goes into making this event happen.

Also a massive congratulations to our Year 9 student, Nathan Gavin who has been selected for the TAC Gippsland Power football Under 16 program. He will begin training November 14.

Jason Prochazka
Acting Head of Middle School
This past week has been full on for the Year 12s as they have been undertaking the completion of exams. Exams are still running until the end of this week, then the Year 10 and 11 exams start next week. Please make sure you are studying and making use of your class time wisely.

On the 4th of November we had our Art show - MY9. It was a successful night and everyone displayed their beautiful artwork. Ms Herrington and Ms Benn did a fabulous job setting it up and making it perfect. Just a reminder to keep an eye on the exam timetable in case it changes again and make sure you have handed in your subject form for next year as after exams we have Head Start. On Monday the 7th November the leadership vacancies closed, so good luck to all the candidates and the results will be announced at presentation night, which is on the 6th of December.

Best of luck on your exams and enjoy your final weeks of school for 2016.

By Chantel and Chelsea (Year 10)

Year 10 and 11 Exam Timetable

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Friday 18.11.16
Period 1 & 2
Year 10 Pre VCE Science
Year 10 Forensic Science
Unit 2 General Maths Part 2

Monday 21.11.16
Period 1 to Period 4
Catch Up

All exams will be held in rooms 1,2,3 in the Senior Building. Please note that during this time there will be no regular Senior School classes. Year 11 and 10 students are required to be in attendance at the College for exams only. Outside of exams times Rooms 1, 2 and 3 will be available for students to meet with their teachers and/or for private study, otherwise the common room will be available for use during exam time.

Exam Advice from the Year 10 and 11 teachers.

- Study - this does not mean completing only homework. This means revising course notes, making flash cards, posters, summary notes and lists of key points.
- Don’t cram, plan!
- Know your timetable.
- Balance and prioritize
- Arrive before start of exam with appropriate equipment.
- No electronic devices except calculators for Maths.
- Spare batteries for calculators
- Pens for writing!!!!!
- Walk into room quietly, sit, and do not talk, do not touch exam paper and wait for further instructions from examiner.
- The examiner will instruct you on exam details.
- Put your name on the paper.
- You talk, you walk!
- Reading time is for reading and planning. Read the questions and then read them again. Organize your responses; develop a mental plan of attack.
- Be aware of allocation of grades in relation to time.
- If you have a question, raise your hand and wait.
- Start writing and always keep watch of time.
- Strive to do your best.
- If you finish early, look over your exam.
- Attempt all questions. In particular, multi-choice. Non responses are always 0.
- You may not leave early.s

Year 12 2017 Retreat at Phillip Island from Monday 31st January to Wednesday 2nd February 2017
There will be an important letter posted home this week outlining the details of the Retreat for 2017.
Dear Parents and Students,

As you may be aware in September this year a group of 19 Students from Lakeside College spent 4 weeks travelling through Switzerland and Germany. Part of this tour included a homestay in Detmold, where the group was hosted by students and their families from the Detmolder Stadtgymnasium (High School). Now we are expecting 17 students (14-16 years old) from the same school to visit us in 2017. This will be the first time a group from Detmold, Germany has visited our school and we are looking for families to open their homes and host students.

It is a wonderful opportunity to practice German, to make a new friend or to learn more about the German culture. It is also an opportunity for students, who wish to travel to Germany on our next school trip in 2018, to reciprocate with their potential host.

The group will be arriving on Monday 20th February 2017 and attending classes at Lakeside College for a week, before participating on a camp/tour and returning for classes from 6th - 10th March. We would love to hear from families who are willing to host a student for either the first 7 days, the second 5 days or both periods of time.

If you are interested, then please contact Mr Wilson or Chaplain Kathy on 5941 7544 or via email on paul.wilson@lakeside.vic.edu.au or kathy.mildred@lakeside.vic.edu.au

Food and toy donations for 4Cs Christmas hampers

Please bring non-perishable food items OR a new toy that can be a gift for another child. These donations support the 4Cs Christmas hampers for needy people in our community. Items can be placed in a box in the Admin area.

Appropriate food items include Christmas puddings, chocolates, canned food, and other non perishables. It would be lovely to bring a toy or gift that would work for someone of your age and gender.