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FITZROY HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal's report

As a Whole School Leadership Team, we are discussing the Secondary Approach for Powerful Learning, an initiative of the DEECD Northern Metropolitan Region. The goal of the region's *School Improvement Strategy* is that all our students will be literate, numerate and curious. As part of teaching for curiosity and achievement, there are four whole school theories of action we are currently examining.

The theories of action propose that:

1. When schools and teachers set high expectations and develop authentic relationships then student confidence, curiosity and commitment to education increases and the school's ethos and culture deepens and curiosity can flourish.
2. When teacher directed instruction becomes more inquiry focused the level of student engagement and achievement increases.
3. By consistently adopting protocols for teaching student behaviour and engagement is enhanced.
4. By consistently adopting protocols for learning student capacity to learn, skill level and confidence is enhanced.

As a Leadership Team we are examining the theories in action in relation to our practices and culture at FHS and the evidence we use to make these judgements. Our aim is to ensure that we have these theories of action embedded in our daily practice.

Further to the whole school theories of action is the contention that in an environment that emphasises curiosity, individual teachers will:

1. Be clear about the learning intentions, pace and narrative of their lessons so that students are more secure about their learning, more

willing to take risks, achievement and understanding is increased and curiosity enhanced.

2. Set meaningful learning tasks that are purposeful, clearly defined, differentiated and challenging so that all students will experience powerful, progressive and precise learning.
3. Employ higher order questions to deepen students' understanding and increase their level of achievement.
4. Connect feedback to data about student actions and performance to accelerate progress, and enhance behaviour and curiosity.
5. Commit to peer assessment and assessment for learning to accelerate engagement, learning and achievement.
6. Use cooperative group structures and techniques to increase academic performance, and enhance the spirit of collaboration and mutual responsibility.

I believe that our school culture and practices are based on these theories but we need to reflect on them and continue to increase our capacity to deliver high quality teaching and learning to all our students all of the time. This is the focus of our work as a school at this point in time.

If you have any feedback, please contact the school.

FITZROY HIGH SCHOOL recently received an International Architecture Award for 2011 from the Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design and The European Centre for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies.

The International Architectural Awards are the highest and most prestigious distinguished building awards program that honour new and cutting-edge design. The program has become the most significant and most

School grounds patrolled from 8:30am every morning

Due to traffic safety concerns, students are required to enter the school grounds when they arrive, and not wait in Falconer Street.

mark your calendar

3 Way conferences Yr 11-12

when	Tues 9 Aug 1:30pm — 20.30pm
where	Collingwood College
who	Matt Nieuwenhuizen

3 Way conferences Yr 11-12

when	Thurs 11 Aug 1:30 — 8:30pm
where	FHS
who	Matt Nieuwenhuizen

School Council Meeting

when	Thurs 18 Aug 6.30pm
where	Pauline's office
who	Pauline Rice

comprehensive distinguished international awards program in the world.

This year, the Museum received a record number of projects for new buildings, landscape architecture, and urban planning from the most important firms practicing globally.

The 2011 Jury for Awards was held in Warsaw under the auspices of the Association of Polish Architects (SARP) and 90 projects from 28 nations were selected by a distinguished group of Polish architects, educators, and critics.

A full list of winning projects for 2011 can be viewed soon at the Museum's website at

www.chi-athenaeum.org or at
www.europeanarch.eu.

Pauline Rice

Italy Trip 2012

This is the last opportunity for students in years 8 and 9 to participate in the Italy trip in 2012. If you have an interest please email Olie no later than **Monday the 8th of August, 2012-**

olieb@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au or
balestra.olie.o@edumail.vic.gov.au for an itinerary and permission form.

Do you buy groceries? Keep your hunger satisfied guilt free!

From now until September 18th 2011, you can earn one Earn & Learn point for our school for every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards or purchases made through Woolworths online or at Caltex Woolworths co-branded fuel outlets). Points automatically appear on your shopping dockets, so all you need to do is bring those dockets to school and place them in the special collection box at the front office. The points will be uploaded to redeem from a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources including library books, classroom equipment, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

Fitzroy High School is not promoting that parents are to shop at Woolworths, rather, if parents choose to purchase goods from Woolworths the dockets can be sent to school and placed in the collection box at the front office.

Coles has launched their 2011 Sports for Schools program and we are excited to announce that our school will be participating and collecting vouchers for much needed sports equipment.

Vouchers are available in all Coles stores from 11 August to 19 October and we ask that you get involved to help collect vouchers for our school.

If you already shop at Coles we are asking you to collect as many vouchers as you can. By donating and encouraging friends and family to do the same, you are helping to provide a healthy and active education for our children.

Please visit coles.com.au/sportsforschools for more information about the program.

A collection box will be located at the front office so please feel free to drop the vouchers in the box.

If you any questions or concerns, please ring Neil at the school or email him at neilm@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au

Thanks!
Neil



POLICY UPDATE

In upcoming newsletters we will be introducing families to a range of school policies. Please contact Fran Mullins on franm@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au if you would like a copy of the policy.

Privacy

All staff of Fitzroy High School are required by law to protect the personal and health information the School collects and holds.

Personal Information is collected and used by Fitzroy High School to:

- Provide services or to carry out the School statutory functions,
 - Assist the School services and its staff to fulfil its duty of care to students,
 - Plan, resource, monitor and evaluate School services and functions,
 - Comply with DEECD reporting requirements,
 - Comply with statutory and or other legal obligations in respect of staff,
 - Investigate incidents or defend any legal claims against the School, its services or its staff, and
- Comply with laws that impose specific obligations regarding the handling of personal information.

Collection of Personal Information

The School collects and holds personal information about students, parents and staff.

Use and disclosure of the personal information provided

Students and Parents:

The purposes for which the School uses personal information of students and parents include:

- Keeping parents informed about matters related to their child's schooling,
 - Looking after students' educational, social and health needs,
 - Celebrating the efforts and achievements of students,
 - Day-to-day administration,
 - Satisfying the School's legal obligations, and
- Allowing the School to discharge its duty of care.

The School will use and disclose personal information about a student, parent and staff when:

- It is required for general administration duties and statutory functions,
- It relates to the purposes for which it was collected, and

For a purpose that is directly related to the reason the information was collected and the use would be reasonably expected by the individual and there is no reason to believe they would object to the disclosure.

The School can disclose personal information for another purpose when:

The person consents, or

It is necessary to lessen or prevent a serious or imminent threat to life, health or safety or

Is required by law or for law enforcement purposes.

Where consent for the use and disclosure of personal information is required, the school will seek consent from the appropriate person. In the case of a student's personal information, the school will seek the consent from the student and/ or parent depending on the circumstances and the student's mental ability and maturity to understand the consequences of the proposed use and disclosure.

Accessing personal information

A parent, student or staff member may seek access to their personal information, provided by them, that is held by the School.

Access to other information maybe restricted according to the requirements of laws that cover the management of school records. These include the *Public Records Act* and the *Freedom of Information Act*.

Updating personal information

The School aims to keep personal information it holds accurate, complete and up-to-date. A person may update their personal information by contacting the office.





INTERESTED IN PLAYING CRICKET THIS SUMMER?

Edinburgh Cricket Club, Nth Fitzroy

Fields teams in the following age groups:

Under 11 Development (U11s play modified rules)

Under 13

Under 15

Under 17

Registration day

Saturday August 20th between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm at the Brunswick Street Oval Nets (off Freeman St). If you can't attend on this day and wish to play, please contact Sally Marsden (details below)

We also run a MILO In2Cricket program

MILO Registration days will be in October. Check our website in September for details or contact us to be put on the mailing list.

If you are interested in more information please contact Sally Marsden (0425 885 069) sally.marsden@bigpond.com

Website: www.edinburghcc.asn.au



Interested in playing Saturday basketball?

Girls & Boys Under 8 – Under 20

Register online at:

www.collingwood.basketball.net.au

or attend

**Registration Day
Saturday 13th August**

**Collingwood College gym
10.30am – 3.00pm**

New players welcome

Players must register and pay by August 20th
to ensure a place in a Summer team

Enquiries: Megan Rouse 0417 106 490 Jim Kroussov 0418 220 045