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A significant milestone

We often hear the term “a significant milestone” being used to describe a memorable event. Maybe you have had a significant milestone recently? In the book “How to Discover Your Personal Life Mission” Morgan and Johnson describe a milestone experience as a turning point that changes your beliefs, motivations and/or abilities in a significant way. It is a life transition.

Thousands of Year 6 students experienced a life transition at the end of last year and the beginning of this year. In our family Miss 12 finished year 6 with a graduation where every child wrote words of affirmation for each of the 80 Year 6 children and these words were read out during the graduation ceremony. It was very powerful. Going to high school is all about new things. A new uniform. New subjects. New friends. It is a significant milestone and we hope our Year 7's make a good transition to Camberwell High School. Our Year 10's also reach a significant milestone when they go out for a week of work experience. Please offer to assist if you are in a suitable workplace.

Miss Cameron, one of our music teachers in the 60's, also celebrated a significant milestone last month when she turned 105. She is now living at Trinity Manor in Deepdene as is Richard Trevare.



The CHESS committee is looking forward to your continued support and attendance at the Annual Dinner on the 2nd of December 2015. We are also introducing a Mid-Year Luncheon on Monday 6th July for those who would prefer a daytime event. The Box Hill Golf Club is proving to be a suitable venue with parking and an enjoyable meal at a reasonable cost.

On page 2 you will read thank you notes from two students who received CHESS awards last year. Our ongoing membership is a tangible way to support CHESS and enables us to give back to our school with a sense of pride. The annual \$25 subscription for 2015 was due to be paid by 31 December 2014. We look forward to your support as we continue to grow our membership in 2015.

Yvonne Giltinan (McLaren)
Class of '65

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Have you changed your details?

Please email us so we can update our database:
chs.chessmoves@gmail.com

Births, Marriages, Farewells

Chessmoves would like to hear from you if you have celebrated a birth, marriage or are aware of the passing of a former student. Contributions of up to 100 words are welcome, with photos if appropriate, to:
chs.chessmoves@gmail.com

Sign up a new member

We are very keen to increase our membership numbers so that CHESS represents ex-students from all decades. Please encourage other former students to join CHESS. A membership form can be downloaded from our website: <http://chessmoves.com/membership>

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School News

Students appreciate CHESS awards

2014 CHESS Winners

Year 12: Vinnie Cesnik, Casey Groth

Year 10: Imogen Swann, Tom Darling

The Robert Ewins Memorial Fund for Literature winners:
Aidan Clifford (Year 11) who received \$400 and Liam Edis (Year 10) who received \$350

Imogen Swann: "Many thanks to the CHESS association for my 2014 scholarship award. I really appreciate the award and I am grateful for your generosity. I will continue my passion for my studies and I am extremely appreciative of your contribution to my education".

Tom Darling: "I am honoured to have received a CHESS award for 2014. I feel privileged to have even been considered for this and to win such a prestigious award is amazing. I appreciate the prize money of \$200 that will further my education and I know this award will motivate me in my future studies. With 2 challenging years at school left I am looking forward to pushing myself and working hard with the support of Camberwell High. Not only is Camberwell High School a fantastic school it has helped shape me into who I am today. In the last years of my schooling I only wish to give back to the school and contribute on all fronts possible. I am proud to go to Camberwell High School as I am sure any ex-student would be and hope this award continues in the future as a legacy of the school."

Are you an employer? Can you help with the CHS Work Experience program?

In Year 10 approximately 200 students go on work experience from Monday 22 June to Friday 26 June. With CHS graduates going into so many different fields of work we are hoping that there are some alumni who would be willing to take a student for a week, or even just a few days, to enable them to experience 'the world of work'.

Work experience is very valuable for young people. They learn so much in that one week – how to get along with a wide variety of people of different ages and backgrounds, how to behave in a professional manner when dealing with customers, clients and work colleagues, the importance of initiative and teamwork, as well as gaining insight into an occupation or career that they may wish to pursue after they leave CHS.

It is a huge task to find a variety of employers and that's why I am asking for help from our CHESS alumni. Please contact me if you can offer work experience to a keen CHS student. Clare Timmins, Careers Coordinator T: 9831 8350 E: zct@camhigh.vic.edu.au

Experience
Straight Ahead

School Events

Wednesday 15 April

Athletics Sports

Tuesday 21 April

Open Night – an opportunity to tour the school from 6.00–8.00 pm

Thursday 7 May

Choral Festival

Tuesday 23 June

Mid-year Music Concert

Monday 19 October

Art / Design Exhibition and Valedictory Evening 7.30 pm

Thursday 22 October

Final Music Concert

Monday 23 November

Orientation evening for the incoming Year 7s

Thursday 26 November

Presentation Evening 7.30pm

Principal's Message

It has been a great start to the school year with a number of events scheduled to assist students to make a positive start to the year.

We welcomed students back to school on Friday 30 January and settled everyone into their new school year with lockers, timetables and important information in year level assemblies. Everyone returned on Monday for a full week back at school.

Our Year 12 students went straight into Boot Camp at St Hilda's College for two days. A number of the 2014 Year 12 high achievers returned to address our current Year 12 students on the secrets to their success. Then the students broke up into smaller groups based on a number of different subjects and had a tutorial with a 2014 Year 12 student. They gave tips and advice to the current students including the need to try to work on sorting through problems and tasks yourself, because if you are actively involved in this, and make an effort, the learning is much better. Another piece of advice

was that whatever task you undertake you should do it carefully and well. Doing lots of practice exams badly is a waste of time. Do fewer and do them well! It was an excellent opportunity for students to learn about strategies for success from their peers.

Our Year 7 students continued with their Learning to Learn program followed by their three-day camp at Portsea. I spent a session with them on the High Ropes course and was impressed with the way they encouraged one another and the positive way they challenged themselves and each other to take the extra step up the wall or along the rope.

Over the last three years we have prioritised time for teachers to meet twice a week to learn collaboratively with each other, with students and also with parents. It is an ongoing and challenging work but provides us with agreed approaches across the whole school. We also have 2 consultants who work with us to coach, inform and



Jill Laughlin, Principal

act as critical friends. We will continue to provide information in a variety of other ways including parent evenings where we can receive feedback from parents on what we are doing and how we can improve our communication with home. 2015 is shaping up to be another great year.

Jill Laughlin, Principal

Some details about the 2014 VCE Results

- Top 5% of government schools in Victoria including select entry schools
- Our Dux received an ATAR score of 99.85
- Four students achieved perfect scores of 50 for Business Management, English Language, Physical Education and Further Maths.
- 20 students achieved ATAR scores over 95 and a total of 42 students achieved ATARs over 90. These 42 students were invited back to assembly and formally recognised by the school.

School Tours

Camberwell High School offers prospective students, parents, ex-students and community members the opportunity to take a guided tour to see the school 'in action' on a normal day. School tours are conducted fortnightly and bookings are essential. PH: 9836 0555.

Alumni@Work



Rebecca Lunn (Class of 2004)

In 2004 I finished Year 12 as Dux of the school, I won the CHES award and received a scholarship to Monash University. After completing a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and Indonesian I participated in the Dean's Scholars Program for a year, volunteering in Indonesia as a lecturer at UNY and as a translator with the Wahid Institute. In 2011 I

joined the Centre for Indonesian Law, Islam and Society (formerly the Centre for Islamic Law and Society) as a Research Assistant at the University of Melbourne. I have continued to work as a translator, then became a qualified baker and I am now studying to become a paramedic at the University of Tasmania. In my spare time I do lots of bushwalking.

Cecilia Wu (Class of 1966)

In 1964 my father was appointed Consul from Taiwan to Melbourne, and I transferred to Form 4 at Camberwell High School. I felt lost in a foreign country but Diane George, Jackie Fristacky, Elizabeth Firth and many others quickly helped me acclimatise to Camberwell HS life. So much so that alongside them, I was elected Prefect in 1966. That experience has been invaluable. Although I left Australia in 1967, I carried the Camberwell HS culture

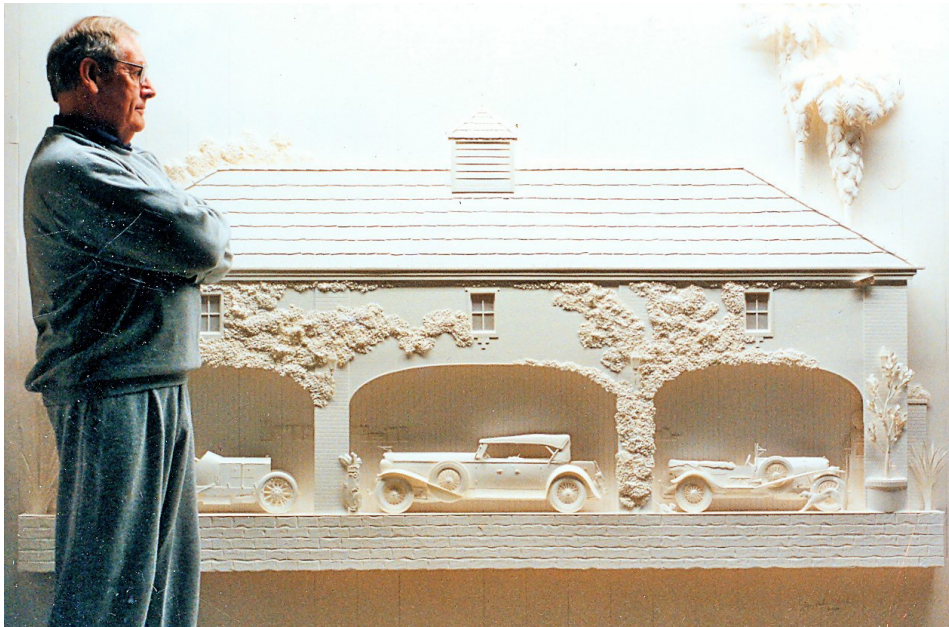
with me, embodied in the words of our school song.

I received a BA from Fu Jen University in Taiwan, got my MA from the University of Hawaii, and my Juris Doctor from UCLA. I have practiced corporate and real estate law for the last 30 years in Los Angeles where I now reside. Although I retired two years ago I am presently a Commissioner in Los Angeles County and sit on the boards of several non-profits.

In December 2014, after almost 50 years, I contacted CHES and asked for their help to connect me with my school friends. Jackie Fristacky warmly invited me to stay a few days and also invited Diane, Elizabeth, and Rodney Maddock to a wonderful dinner at her home, where we chatted away and heartily sang our inspirational school song. I have extremely fond memories of my years at CHS and I would be happy to act as a liaison for CHES in Los Angeles.



From left: Jackie, Cecilia, Elizabeth and Diane



Commission, Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines 'Mariner of the Seas'.



Stamps for the Performing Arts including Anniversaries of the Canadian Film Board and the Royal Winnipeg Ballet.

John Milne (Class of 1950)

It was a big deal at the time so perhaps you may already know the story. 1948 ... and the Monday after the Melbourne v. Essendon Grand Final.

Classmate Michael Scorgie, a very happy Demon supporter, turned up to school wearing of all things, an Essendon jumper bearing the famous number 10 of the great John Coleman. Scorgie enthusiastically told all that Coleman gave it to him ... you can imagine the comments and ragging he received.

The headlines of Melbourne's papers screamed "COLEMAN'S JUMPER STOLEN" or words to that effect. Scorgie, our classmate 'A Thief?' No! As it turned out ... Michael was on the field after the match mingling with happy fans and players (it was allowed back then) He just happened to walk between Coleman and a Melbourne player as they were exchanging jumpers. Scorgie thought that Coleman was giving his famous sweater to him ... a natural mistake? Now Michael, being an honest Boy Scout, returned the Champion's jumper, received a replacement and made the front pages of the Melbourne papers who



boldly applauded his honesty and even at a CHS Assembly, Headmaster Andrews complimented him for doing the right thing. Michael Scorgie was a school hero and a celebrity to us his classmates (even those who had ragged him) ... well for at least 15 minutes!

After leaving Camberwell HS in 1950 I worked as a lettering artist, advertising

art director and freelance graphic designer before commencing paper sculpting in 1974. Known artistically as Jonathan Milne, I was internationally recognised as a premier artist specialising in this creative medium and my dimensional works-of-art have been reproduced worldwide and grace many boardrooms, foyers and private collections.

My fine art commissions include works for Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, New York University's Woolworth's Building, Canada Post's "Performing Arts" series of four postage stamps and for Britain's Royal Mail, an original white-on-white dimensional paper sculpture birthday card which was presented to HRH Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother on the occasion of her ninety-ninth birthday. I have received numerous awards and honours and I was the first featured artist in the Ziegler/Greco hardcover book on Paper Sculpture. More of my work can be seen on: <http://www.folioart.co.uk/illustration/folio/artists/illustrator/jonathan-milne>. I am now retired and live in Chilliwack, British Columbia, about 100 km east of Vancouver.

Celebrating Fulfilling Careers

Miss Cameron celebrated a significant milestone last month when she turned 105. During her long and distinguished career she transformed young lives by developing music appreciation and class singing in government schools and until she retired at 100, she provided many young elite string players the opportunity to tour and play in cities around the world.

Miss Cameron taught at Camberwell High School from 1959 until 1964, became the Director of Music at Balwyn High School in 1965, and then Victoria's first Education Department Secondary School Music Inspector. During this time she instigated free music tuition in Victorian schools from Form 1 to Matriculation.

Dr Cameron also established the Saturday Music School, which included the Melbourne Youth Orchestra, and the January Music Camp. When she turned 70 Dr Cameron formed the Chamber Strings of Melbourne at the request of several music students, and continued to administer the orchestra and lead them on overseas tours until

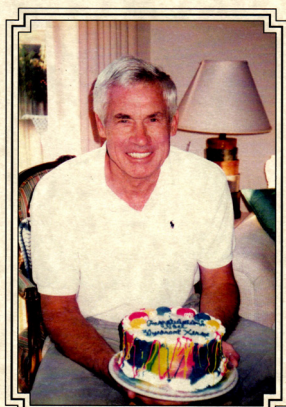


she retired in 2010, in time to celebrate her 100th birthday.

In 2005 Dr Cameron attended the recording of School of our Youth sung by a "pop-up" choir of ex-students and many welcomed the chance to thank her for the positive impact she had on their careers and lives. Dr Cameron's

efforts to transform music education resulted in a MBE for service to music education in Australia. "I still look back and reflect on how valuable my life has been. I am hoping that my work with music students will be carried on through a scholarship that I am setting up for a music student at the University of Melbourne".

Noel Richard Selby
(Noel Selby-Hele)



April 25, 1936 – September 2, 2014

October 4, 2014

30 Years at Xerox

Noel Selby 1936–2014

Noel attended Camberwell HS for two years, before finishing off his schooling at Melbourne High and then completing a law degree in 1956. He excelled at tennis, cricket and football as a young man. In his mid-twenties Noel moved to Canada and worked for the Ford Company, then commenced working at Xerox, a start-up company in New York in 1964. After 30 years of faithful service at Xerox in a number of locations he retired from the HR Recruiting Department in 1995. He served as a Reserve Deputy Sheriff and regularly swam in the Pacific Ocean at his home on Balboa Island in California. He stayed connected to family and friends in Australia by visiting many times and he still felt that the 'land down under' was part of his heart and soul.

A Memorable Annual Dinner

"Thank you so much for all the organisation you went to to double your numbers. Our people all had a great night and I'm sure they will be ready to front up again next year. Well done and congratulations! I organise many functions for a couple of committees myself and appreciate the work you put into it. So let me know when you set a date for 2015 and we'll swing into action."

Alumni from class of '58

"Great event at Box Hill for Christmas, well done!"

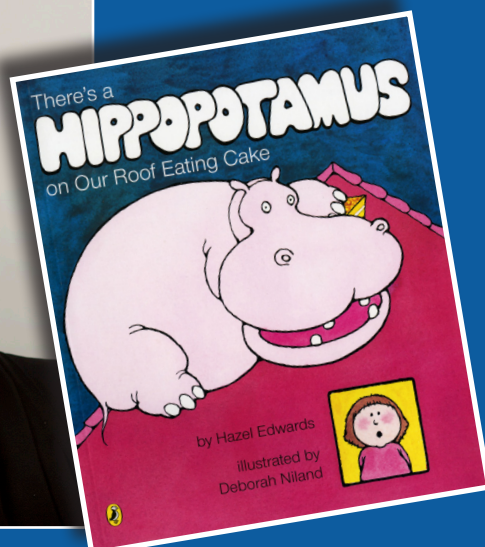
Alumni from class of '71

"Congratulations on tonight's most successful dinner. A really lovely occasion that enabled me to catch up with several former classmates. Thank you for all your effort in the organising of it. These things do not simply happen by chance. They are the product of a lot of time and energy and jolly hard work, and those there were the recipients of your expert planning and execution."

Alumni from class of '60



If you were not able to join us for our annual dinner on 3 December last year, you missed out on a wonderful dinner with 100 ex-students, staff and guests. Our numbers doubled from last year and we had great support from our CHES champions who organised tables that kept on growing up to the day of the dinner. It was especially good to have CHES committee member Ashley Wah (2013) as our MC for the evening and he interviewed the school SRC leaders. Principal Jill Laughlin and former Principal Ann Rusden also attended. Our guest speaker Len Brear (1960) provided amusing anecdotes about his 24 years of service as a Victorian Magistrate and Coroner. Andrew Lovitt, who came from Launceston and had all his siblings there, thanked the committee for the night and many others added their thanks as they left. Wednesday 2 December 2015 is already booked!



Mid-Year Luncheon Monday 6 July 2015

Book the date and come and join us for a leisurely two-course lunch overlooking the greens at the Box Hill Golf Club. Our alumni Hazel Edwards OAM author of the classic children's book *There's a hippopotamus on our roof eating cake* will speak on her successful book *Writing a Non Boring Family History*.

In Short



PREFECTS

Back Row (L. to R.): J. Pop, T. Bailey, P. Wallis, M. Conyers, I. Coles, W. Clarke, A. Gusbeth, K. Cavell, Tony Tony Yung, P. Gyton.

Front Row: A. MacKenzie, M. Firth, E. Bate, S. Matrai, D. Halstead, Miss Milne, Mr. Andrews, G. Adamson, O. Penfold, Y. McLaren, L. Gilbert, A. Chapman.



Planning a reunion?

This is not only the Year of the Goat or Ram but the year for reunions for all the '5s': 1955; 1965; 1975, etc.

If you left CHS 50 years ago contact Yvonne Giltinan at chs.chessmoves@gmail.com about your 1965 reunion. The 1965 prefects are seen in the photo above.

Lisa Grayson (seen here with staff and other '85s) is the contact for your reunion. Watch your Facebook page for details. Contact CHES to start organising *your* reunion..

CHES dates for your diary – all welcome

Wednesday 13 May: CHES AGM 7.30pm

Wednesday 17 June: CHES Committee Meeting

Monday 6 July: Mid-Year Luncheon Box Hill Golf Club

Wednesday 12 August: CHES Committee Meeting

Wednesday 21 October: CHES Committee Meeting

Wednesday 2 December: Annual Dinner Box Hill Golf Club

CHESMOVES: 31 March
 31 July
 20 November (inc 2016 invoice)

Have you paid your 2015 subscription yet?

All CHES members should have received an invoice either by mail or email at the end of last year. If you have not yet paid, you can download the form from our website and payment can now be made online. Please remember to include your name for our records.

<https://chsalumni.files.wordpress.com/2014/11/ches-subscription-renewal-form-2015.pdf>

Looking for missing Prospice

Last year some of our committee had a dusty morning in the school archives and discovered that we have almost every Prospice dating back to 1956. We are scanning them and uploading them to our website for all to enjoy. Please have a look in your archives to see if you have any Prospice from these years: **1946–1955; 1957–1959; 1992; 1998**. Can CHES borrow your copy for a few weeks? Call Yvonne Giltinan on 9816 9413.

Mid-Year Luncheon with Hazel Edwards

The CHESS Committee invites you, along with present and past students and partners, to our 2015 Mid-Year Luncheon with Hazel Edwards. Come and join us for a leisurely two-course lunch. Our alumni Hazel Edwards OAM will speak on her successful book, *Writing a Non Boring Family History*.

Date: Monday 6 July, 2015 | 12.00pm to 3.00pm

Venue Box Hill Golf Club, 202 Station Street, Box Hill

Cost \$35 per person | Drinks at bar prices

RSVP by Monday 29 June with your payment to chs.chessmoves@gmail.com
Please include guest names and maiden name if applicable.

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**We look forward to
seeing you there**

