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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL – B.E. HANLEY

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The St Monica's College Basketball Academy was established to develop this exciting sport amongst the girls and boys of our College. Under the direction of Mr John Dorge, this basketball program has strengthened and attracted much interest from eager and keen Monican basketballers.

Our emerging basketball culture develops skills, forms competitive attitudes, and creates even greater bonds amongst the students of our College.

## ABOUT

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At the Basketball Academy St Monica's College, Epping, there is a focus on both skill and individual development. We will focus on an increase in match practice and training which will allow The Academy to grow further.

Students will have the opportunity to play against some of the finest and most respected Basketball Academies in Melbourne such as Box Hill Secondary and Maribyrnong Secondary College. Our students from years 7-12 will train once a week in preparation for junior, intermediate and senior Victorian College Championships and the McDonalds Cup.

Our Basketball program also participates in the senior SACCSS Tournaments, Premier League, Victorian College Championships and the Elite Championship Cup conducted by Basketball Victoria. The program provides opportunities to travel overseas on school sports tours to New Zealand and Unites States of America. These international excursions provide a valuable experience to educate, develop teamwork and camaraderie, while taking advantage of other perspectives on coaching and tactics. The overseas experience of a new country and culture, and having the wonderful feeling of being able to represent not just their school but their country as well. These are memories and life experiences they will never forget.

Students of the Basketball Academy also have the option to participate in a 5-day excursion to the Australian Institute of Sports in Canberra to be trained by some of Australia's Elite Sporting Athletes and Coaches.

Throughout the year St Monica's Basketball Academy conducts In-House Competitions, Teachers vs Students games, 3-point shoot-outs as well as a popular school 3 on 3 competitions. The Academy will also continue to build on what is becoming a strong relationship with both the WNBL teams and the NBL basketball teams and local basketball associations based in Northern suburbs of Melbourne.

## GOALS FOR ST MONICA'S BASKETBALL ACADEMY

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- Team and Individual Development
- Sport related excursions
- Exposure to the Men's NBL
- Exposure to the Women's WNBL
- International Basketball Tours

## SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

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- Seniors SACCSS
- Premier League
- Victorian Basketball Championships
- McDonalds Cup
- Tournaments
- Exhibition Games
- Teachers V Students Game

## JOHN DORGE – DIRECTOR

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- Played 363 NBL games
- 4 time NBL Champion
- 2 time Olympian
- NBL Coach 2001-2007