

INSIDE OUT

Alexandra Secondary College

Date: - 29th March 2019

MY (Murrindindi Youth) Reflective Garden Official Opening April 5th

“To develop a quiet, peaceful and reflective place for students, staff and others to enjoy and connect to their environment and school” was the original ambition of School Councillor, Steve Prothero. When the 1960s classrooms along Nihill Street were removed two summers ago, the bare and ugly space left behind turned into the perfect site for the project.

Two years down the track, and after a magnificent effort by a small team, MY Reflective Garden is an admired space and growing well. Students were consulted about the features they wanted, with many being incorporated. Parent Kim Pammer and ASC groundsman Darrell Hedger designed a tranquil and calming space, including shade trees, large rocks and mounds of green grass for lazing on.

ASC School Council congratulates Assistant Principal Sue Malcolm for driving the project at the school level and gaining the funding, along with Anne Norris (Business Manager), Darrell Hedger (School Groundsman) and Kim Pammer (volunteer Garden Concept Designer).

Importantly, Friday afternoon's Opening will acknowledge the support of many individuals and organisations for the assistance & support they provided. A free lunchtime BBQ, along with a DJ and musical entertainment provided by the school's Music Department and FreeZa, will begin the celebrations.

Invited guests, students, staff and major sponsors - The Marysville Triangle and Community Foundation, Alexandra Open Gardens Club, and ASC Parents & Friends - will assemble at 2pm for the official opening. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Many thanks to Murrindindi Shire Council's Youth Services team who are working with the Alexandra FreeZa committee, and the College, for hosting this event.

During the Opening there will be an ideas board on display where people can view and make suggestions about their preference of art works for the garden space. Students interested in being involved in the garden art project, can speak with the Shire Youth Team during the Opening.

Bev Dick

Alexandra SC Councillor



WEEK 9

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Dates to Remember-

NEVR Music Camp
2nd/4th April

Opening of the Reflective Garden
5th April

Deb Ball
6th April

First day of Term 2
23rd April

House Athletics
12th April

Yr 8 Camp
29th April/3rd May

Mission x Camp
6th/10th May

Yr 7/Yr10 Immunisations
10th May

NAPLAN
14th/16th May

Alice Sloan Toorak Visit
15th May

College X Country
21st May

P & F Meetings 3rd Wed of each month
@ 7pm.

Term Dates-

Term One: January 30th to
Friday April 5th

Term Two: Tuesday 23rd April
to Friday 28th June

Term Three: Monday 15th July
to Friday 20th September

Term Four: Monday 7th October
to Friday 20th December

Curriculum (Student free) Days-

Wed 22nd May
Fri 7th June
Wed 14 August



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Principal's Report

We had the first meeting of our 'new' school council for the year on Monday. Our parent members are Mandy Gesler (President), Steve Prothero, Kerry McGahy, Andrew Walker, Stu Coward, Bev Dick and Alison Rouget. Each of these people are good contacts for other parents to pass ideas on to and ask questions about the College.

Student/Parent/Teacher Night was a positive evening on Wednesday. Parents are the most significant adult in a student's life and we are blessed with wonderful, constructive parents who our staff enjoy working with. Our structure is such that we only have two formal occasions to meet with parents every year. However, our staff are always happy to answer an email or take a phone call at any stage. All staff emails are on our website <http://asc.vic.edu.au>.

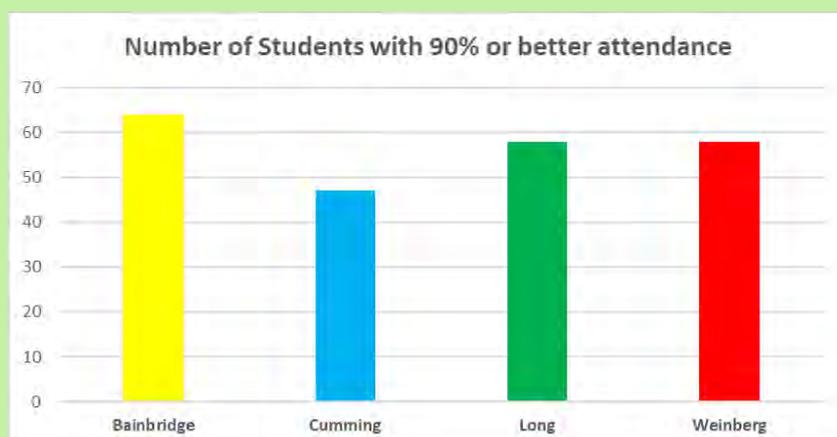
Yesterday morning we sent 18 wonderful young ambassadors to Japan on our biennial two week tour. They are in the experienced hands of Mrs Tossol and Mr Nadj. We look forward to hearing about their cultural experience next term.

School finishes at 2:30pm next Friday, following the official opening of our new landscaped area. The opening is being run as a FREEZA event with a BBQ lunch for students and live music.

Every day of learning makes a positive impact. Congratulations to all of our students who have 4 days or less absence for the term.

Percentage of students with 90% attendance and above

	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
Year 7	78%	85%	93%	89%	83%	87%
Year 8	75%	82%	80%	76%	75%	78%
Year 9	68%	72%	72%	70%	63%	62%
Year 10	60%	69%	75%	75%	69%	73%
Year 11	70%	79%	81%	86%	81%	79%
Year 12	59%	81%	89%	89%	86%	86%



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STOP PRESS

Extension for Year 9 School for Student Leadership Applications

The application date has been extended until the first Wednesday on return to school in Term 2. This is April 24th. Applications should be handed personally to Mrs Tossol or alternatively to front office staff. Remember, that these are to be hand written on and the form emailed to you.

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P&F call out for Deb Ball Supper Donations

The Deb Ball is the Major fundraiser for P&F and profits can be between \$3000 and \$6000!

We provide the supper - cups of tea and a scrumptious spread of cakes and slices.

CAN YOU HELP?

Please email the type of sweet (eg lemon and coconut slice) you most likely will provide to

bevnick3903@gmail.com

As there is limited refrigeration available, please avoid creamy fillings.

Food can be dropped

- at the Marysville Community Centre kitchen on Saturday 6th April after 5pm.

- at ASC Office on Friday 5th April before the end of the school day (last day of term)

Thank you!



By the way - did you
make a cake or a slice?



Oops - I thought it was a
sausage sizzle....

LAST CHANCE TO BUY SEATED TICKETS FOR THE DEB BALL.

ALEXANDRA SECONDARY COLLEGE PRESENTS
Splendid Spring
Debutante Ball 2019

Saturday 6th April at 7pm
Marysville Community Centre
Supper supplied/ Non-alcoholic event
\$35.00 Seating \$20.00 Viewing only
TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Families of Deb participants and Year 12 students wanting Deb Ball Seated tickets (\$35) can purchase these from the front Office by Monday 1st April.

Tables will seat 10-12 people.

Viewing tickets (\$20) are available for purchase from the front Office, but will also be available to purchase at the door on the night of the Ball.

Doors will open at 6:30pm, with all guests requested to arrive by 7pm.

HELP URGENTLY REQUIRED

ALL families of Deb participants are asked to volunteer to help with set-up (Thursday 4th) and/or pack up (Saturday night/Sunday) for the Ball. Please contact Melissa Del Conte (melissadelconte8@gmail.com) or return the form which was sent home with your child. Please also help by providing a plate of something sweet for the Parents & Friends supper. Contact Bev Dick (bevnick3903@gmail.com) with offers.

Canberra & Brisbane, January 2020

ATTENTION ALL YEAR 11 SCIENCE STUDENTS



Applications for the 2020 National Youth Science Forum are now open!

The forum is an exciting twelve day program that offers students a unique opportunity to test drive their careers and learn about study opportunities in science, engineering and technology.



Students can register to attend one of three 12-day sessions held in Canberra and Brisbane each January.

Successful applicants will visit leading laboratories and participate in cutting edge Science. They will speak to researchers and engineers, and learn about career paths through university and beyond.

As Will, a recent participant explains *“NYSF was without doubt the best two weeks of my life. The scientific visits and talks were engaging and intriguing, the people were incredible, the networking and social aspect was incomparable to anything I had ever experienced. It was without doubt a life changing two weeks.”*

Alexandra Rotary Clubs is prepared to sponsor suitable applicants.

All year 11 students with an interest in science, engineering and technology are encouraged to apply online at www.nysf.edu.au/applying .

Dates

Session A: Canberra 2 - 13 Jan 2019

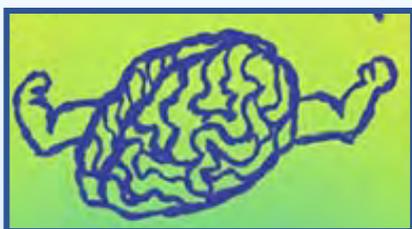
Session B: Brisbane 9 - 20 Jan 2019

Session C: Canberra 16 - 27 Jan 2019

Please see Ms Zerbe, Mr Stephens or Megan Gilmore for further details and advice.



Applications close May 31st



FLEX YOUR SCIENCE MIND

The **Big Science Competition**, open to **Year 7 to 10 students**, and the **ICAS Science Competition**, open to all **Year 7 to 12 students**, both run in **May** and cost **\$8 and \$9.50** per student respectively.

The final date for payment at the office is next **Friday, April 6th**.





VCE Students look smart in their new VCE Jumpers.

They have left the Country. Japan Trippers up early on their exciting adventures.



Students attending Japan Trip.

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| Belinda | Andreou |
| Jana | Andreou |
| Tegan | Annetta |
| Jamie | Baird |
| Sarah | Burgess |
| Oscar | Draper |
| Mia | Gelbert |
| Jorja | Gesler |
| Kasey | Johnson |
| Graedy | Keating |
| Joss | Lopez |
| Amanda | McDonald |
| Derryl | Mills |
| Kayla | Nadj |
| Venus | Pham |
| Daniel | Renfrey |
| Reuben | Sims |
| Caitlin | Turner |

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Round Robin

On Thursday 21st of March, 14 Year 8 girls set off to Volleyball. After being on the bus for an hour, we got off at Seymour College. The girls were pumped and ready to play. We then split into our two teams, Team Emerald (B) included Tahlia, Elektra, Hayley, Mikaela, Taylah, Charlotte and Annie. Emerald Team had a bye first which gave us time to see how the other teams played. Our first game was against Seymour, in which we won 35-24. We then played Kilmore, a strong team, in which we tied. We had two byes, and most of the girls went over to the cafeteria.

Returning to the courts, we played St Mary's and won with a score 29-24. The umpires then calculated our total score, and we drew with Kilmore on 91 pts. We then had to verse Kilmore for the second time, but unfortunately did not win with the scores 34-25. Overall, we had a great day playing against the other teams. I congratulate my team for playing extremely well and working together. Congratulations to the Gold Team (A) for winning the Grand Final.

By Taylah

On Thursday the 21st March 14 year 8 girls went to play volleyball in Seymour. There were 7 people in my team: Louise Hurrey, Micci Soriano, Eliza Gesler, Mia Fitzpatrick, Jazmin Collett and Kelly Young, so with 6 on court we had one person rotating on so that's fun. In the first few games our team was kind of all over the place with everyone excited and pumped. We still won every game by at least 10 points, and more often than not over 20 points, everyone had their strengths. Jazmin and Eliza really good at serving and Louise and Kelly were great to have at the back and both rarely missed a shot to hit the ball. We made it to the finals after not losing a match, but in our second last match Micci fell over and injured her knee, so she had to sit out which was a shame. But we played on and made the Grand Final we were versing a team we had already beaten. It was a great day and everyone had a great time being there to play. Even if we hadn't won the tournament, everyone would still be really proud of their efforts because everyone played amazingly.

By Sierra

VCE Girls Volleyball had 3 great wins against Seymour, Benalla and Kilmore. Finally losing to Yea. It was a wonderful effort and the girls had lots of fun. Thanks to Mr Kim for coaching us.



The senior boys volleyball team had a very successful day at the Round Robin. The day's highlight was coming back from 6 match points down against Yea High School to a spectacular win. Our boys remained undefeated throughout the day and qualified for the Hume Regionals. It was wonderful to see the excellent sportsmanship and comradery of each of the teams competing on the day.



On March the 21st seven Year 8's went to Seymour and played 3 rounds of cricket. The first round was against Euroa, which was a bit of a warm up for us to get our minds back into cricket for a day but we tried our hardest. They scored an amazing 193 to our 77.

The second match was a bit better but we lost by a fair bit. Banjo kept our hopes up and got 3 wickets. The final match was really good we batted really well for 6 overs but I think we get a bit too excited and we ended up losing. All in all we had some fun, everyone did very well and we played with a good team spirit.

By Anthony Lee



Round Robin

The Year 7 Round Robin cricket matches were held on Thursday the 21st of March. We played against three teams. We first played against Broadford where we batted first. In the end Alexandra made 140 beating Broadford by 60 runs.

In game two Alexandra Secondary College versed Seymour. The game turned out to be really close with great batting and bowling performances from everyone. Alexandra batted first and Will and Clayton got us off to a great start. At the end of the eight overs Alexandra had scored a solid 137. In reply Seymour posted a good score of 112, facing up to some solid bowling led by Felicity. It was a well-deserved win and it put Alexandra 2 – 0 heading into the final round.

The day was getting hot when had our final match. We had won both the other matches and it was up to us to finish that streak. As we discussed the batting order, the other team, FCJ, set the field. We dominated the first overs until they figured out our strategy, which was to get as many boundaries as possible. They changed the field so that we had to hit over their heads and our run rate went down dramatically.

After our innings we took to the field. Our strong bowling restricted their runs and we got a lot of wickets. We walked away undefeated but unfortunately, we came third overall on run rate. As a team we are very proud of our efforts and next year we hope to go one step further.

Clayton, Matt and Will (each captained a game)



Year 7 Japanese Class

