

# INSIDE OUT

## Alexandra Secondary College

**Date: 23rd February 2018**

### Luna Park Learning

It is time to embrace Physics in the most enjoyable way – riding the attractions at Melbourne's Luna Park! For 'Motion in One and Two Dimensions' for Unit 3 Physics, Alexandra Secondary students will test the shifting g-forces on their favourite rides! This excursion will take place on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March. It will be hands-on study and loads of fun! Students will be able to experience all sorts of forces that today's jet pilots simply take for granted. Students' mobile phones will even get a work out by measuring 'g' forces to check their calculations and taking video clips for analysis using a free program called 'Tracker.'

The study materials have been developed with specific relevance to Luna Park and the motion of amusement rides. On this day only Physics students will be allowed to enter the Park, which will maximise learning opportunities for them.

We will depart for Luna Park from the college, on the morning of Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> March. Watch this space for updates after the event.

2016 Luna Park Physics excursion



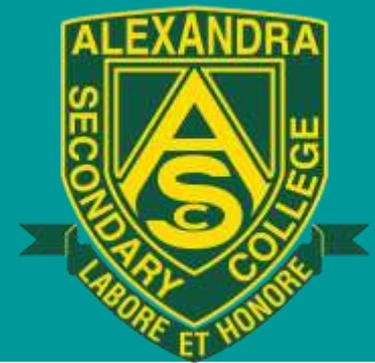
### Landscaping Project

This year our ultimate aim is to complete our landscaping around the school.

To date we have raised \$1,200 of our \$20,000 goal.

Week 3

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### Dates to Remember-

#### Year 12 Formal

Saturday February 24th

#### Y12 Parent Information Evening

Wednesday February 28th

#### Southern Ranges Swimming

Friday March 6th

#### Round Robin Sports

Thursday March 15th

#### Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday March 21st

#### Debutante Ball

Saturday March 24th

#### Beechworth Music Camp

March 26th—28th March

#### House Athletic Sports

Wednesday March 28th

### Term Dates-

Term 1 30 Jan 2018 - 29 Mar 2018

Term 2 16 Apr 2018 - 29 Jun 2018

Term 3 16 Jul 2018 - 21 Sep 2018

Term 4 8 Oct 2018 - 21 Dec 2018

### Curriculum (Student free) Days

Wednesday May 23rd

Friday June 8th

## Principals' Report

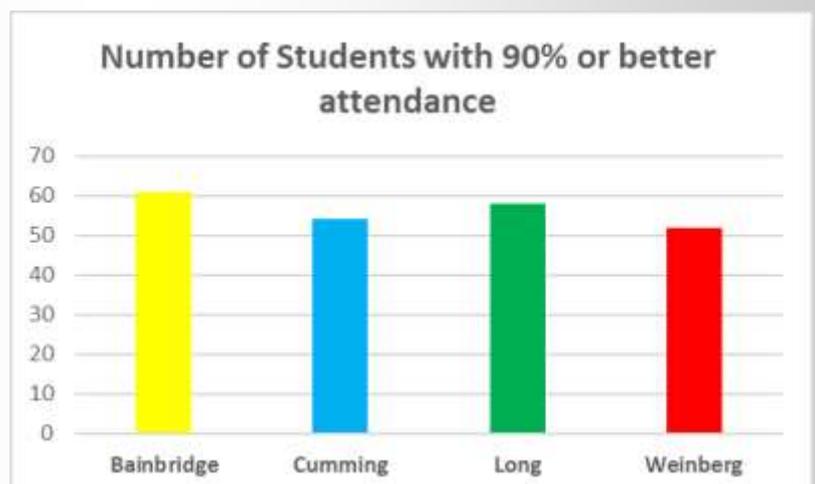
One of the major goals we have in this year's College Annual Implementation Plan is improving the "literacy" of our students. For a student to be able to learn in a subject they must be able to read and comprehend the language used in that subject. A simple way to improve one's literacy is to read more and talk about what you are reading to others. We encourage our families to read to each other and discuss what they are reading. It can be an article in the newspaper (or online), it can be a novel, a magazine, a car manual etc. All reading is good. Studies show that parents reading for enjoyment or for work in front of their children has a marked positive impact. Currently Mr Lyttle is reading "The Pillars of the Earth" by Ken Follett for enjoyment and "Reduce Change to Increase Improvement" by Viviane Robinson for his own learning.

Each year we appreciate our families who make a voluntary contribution to the College. All families who do this before week 5 term 2 go into a draw for a \$200 Fuel voucher. We encourage all voluntary contributions to be paid into our "Building Fund" or "Library Fund" as with both of these we can issue a tax deductible receipt. The money donated is used to improve the learning environment for our students. This year all money paid into the building fund will be used to landscape the area where the old art wing and B-wing used to be.

We have employed Mr Corkhill to run homework club after school on Wednesday nights. This is a great spot for any student who wishes to have a space and time to work on their studies.

Every day of learning has a positive impact on students. Bainbridge have a slight lead over Long for the 100 points for the term. Our Year 7s and 12s are leading the way with attendance, our Year 9s need to lift their game. As a parent, you can have an excellent idea of your child's attendance by checking Sentral.

Percentage of students with 90% attendance and above		
	Week 3	Week 4
Year 7	91%	91%
Year 8	78%	74%
Year 9	76%	56%
Year 10	82%	67%
Year 11	83%	65%
Year 12	87%	82%



# Year 12 Formal

The 2018 Year 12 Formal will be held at Saladin Lodge in Narbethong this Saturday, 24th February. The Formal is held to celebrate the Year 12 as a Year Level, it is a rite of passage and an acknowledgement of our students transforming into young adults.

The evening will commence at 6:00 pm and finish at 9.30pm. A bus will be available to transport students and their partners to and from the venue. The bus will depart from Perkins Street, Alexandra (opposite the Shire Offices), where students and their guest can have photographs taken in the Jack Shiel Gardens from 5pm until the bus departs for Narbethong at approximately 5.30pm. The bus will return to school at approximately 10pm.

The Year 12 Committee are predominately responsible for the arranging this event. This in itself, is a task which requires many skills, team work, organisational skills and dealing with an array of community organisations – such as Fallons and Saladin Lodge to make sure the night is a success.

## Conveyance Allowance

Applications for Conveyance Allowance (School Buses) for 2018 are now available at the School office.

To be eligible you must reside 4.8km or more, by the shortest route, to the nearest school campus. Term 1 applications close 5th March.

## Kilts



Orders are now being taken for School Kilts at Alexandra Apparel (formerly Mensland). These will take 6 weeks to make so orders will need to be in by Friday 2nd March. Cost is \$89.95

Contact Noanie on 5772 1254

## Swimming Sports Recap

Congratulations to Cumming House! Their House was obviously spurred on by last year's brush with glory, and were determined to prove a point this year. Cumming's illustrious leaders sealed the day by showing that they were best able to do the simple things to succeed. This basically means - turn up, swim in as many events as you can and put yourself on the line for the greater good of the House. It will be interesting to see if any other Houses get the fire in their bellies to defeat them in the upcoming Athletics sports.

Aside from the competitive action that took place in the big pool, points were won in the kiddies pool. Bainbridge took out the water volleyball and Maya Linehan received the best costume award for her race car. Lachie Ingram-Smith was runner up as 'The Big Cheese'.

Thank-you to all of the parents who came down to watch the action, the day itself seemed to run smoothly, thanks for the support!

	Girls		Boys	
	Age Champion	Runner Up	Age Champion	Runner Up
13	Tahnee Heard	Jazmin Collett	Tim Sitiropoulos	Daniel Collett
14	Sierra Pammer	Amanda McDonald	Toby Prothero	Joss Lopez
15	Jorja Gesler	Hailey Collett	Billy Miller	Bowen McCarthy
16	Shona Gesler	Annabelle Love Yolanda Vinycomb	Mitch Grotaers	James Geldart
17	Matlida Walker	Sienna Wakefield-Dick	Hamish Dunsford	David Ray
20	Amber Miller	Caroline Lee	Braydon Burchall	Corey Malcolm

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## Southern Ranges Swimming

This week we started to organise our College Swim Team to represent us at the Southern Ranges. The meet will be held at the War Memorial pool in Seymour on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. Permission forms will be distributed on Friday 23/2. Parents are more than welcome to come in and watch their children compete on the day. A program of events will be posted on Sentral once it is published.

We will be running a training session on Tuesday to have a bit of fun and bring the team closer together. Please return your permission forms in by Tuesday so we can all head down to the Alexandra Pool at lunchtime. We will be coming back for Period 6.



Yr 7a Survival  
Swimming  
Test



# Peer Support Mummies in Lifeskills





## Homework Club is back.

Starting this Wednesday at 3:30 in the Library, Homework Club will make its return under the tutelage of the omniscient Mr. Corkhill.

Maths Mates making you miserable, HUMs hurting your head, English irking your innards, **Science not your thing, then don't sit there and despair. Get yourself some help.**

Make your way to the Home of homework help, The Library – Wednesdays, after school, 3:30 to 4:45.

Spend 5 minutes or 50 minutes – but get yourself sorted.

Not just homework – you can get help with classwork too.



## Careers News

### Apprenticeship and Traineeship Opportunities:

Cert. 3 in Civil Construction—Echuca Region (NW230118)

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:

Cert. 2 Automotive Servicing Technology—Shepparton (NW150118)

Cert. 3 in Business Traineeship (2018 School Year) —Kyabram (NW150118)

Cert. 3 in Wall & Floor Tiling Apprenticeship —Echuca (CC041217)

Cert. 3 in Engineering Fabrication Apprenticeship — Picola (NW051217)

For further information please contact Felicity Wilmot, Careers Coordinator.



# Alexandra Pool Party

*Perkins St  
Alexandra*



**Fri 23 Feb 3.30 – 8.30pm**

**Activities & prizes  
Jumping Castle & DJ  
Food & snacks available for sale  
Swim Club BBQ**

**3.30 pm - 5:30 pm** DJ & activities for the younger kids

**5:30 pm - 8.30 pm** Live music and DJ

Drug, alcohol and smoke free event  
Children under 10 require adult supervision  
Gold coin donation

Enquiries contact Imagen Ellis 0418585648

