

INSIDE OUT

Alexandra Secondary College

Date: 15th September 2017

All Parents/Guardians are welcome to contact staff via direct emails.
Staff emails are located on the ASC website -
www.asc.vic.edu.au select "College Staff" then click on the email address.

ASC Certificate of Excellence

In 2013 our College introduced The Certificate of Excellence to our students. This Certificate is our means of acknowledging student participation, and level of performance in the many and diverse opportunities the college offers. There are five categories considered. These are: Academia, Sport, The Arts, Leadership and Extra Curricula. Students are awarded 1, 2 or 3 points in each category depending on the level of their performance. There is a Junior Award for students in Years 7-9 and a Senior Award for students in Years 10-12. At the end of the first year in the Junior or Senior Cycle students are eligible for a Bronze Award, at the end of the second year a Silver award and at the end of the third year a Gold award.

Students received their 2017 application forms earlier this year. We are now encouraging parents to support their children in updating their forms. It is the student's responsibility to submit their form, which is due by November 10th 2017. Please note that if an application form has not been submitted, your child will not be considered for an award.

If your child has misplaced their form, a copy is available on Sentral to print.

Any questions regarding the Certificate may be directed to Jacki Tossol at the College on 5770 2000

Year 9 2018



UPDATE- It's China!

Earlier this week, we were offered a position in the SSL China programme for Term 3, 2018. We have accepted this offer. As a result is, we have forfeited our position at the Snowy River Campus in Term 4 2018.

Information sessions will be held with all Year 8 classes early next term and written information regarding the programme will be sent home to all families of Year 8 students.

Any questions regarding this programme should be directed to Mrs Tossol at the College on 5770 2000.



WEEK 9

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Dates to Remember:-

Parent Teacher Interview

19th September

Cross Country Ski Dates

20th September

Penny Concert

22nd September

Indonesian Tour

30th September to
12th October

Hume Athletics

12th October

Supreme Court—Yr 11 Legal

18th October

Mission X Camp

20th to 24th November

Term Dates

Term Three:

Monday 17th July
to Friday 22nd September

Term Four:

Monday 9th Oct
to Friday 22nd December



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Principals' Report

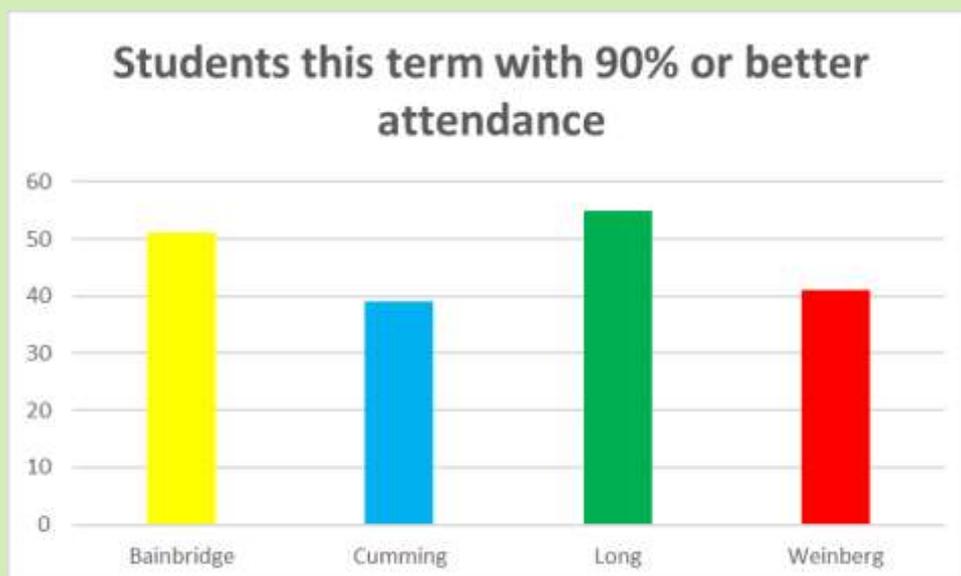
Next Friday is the Penny Concert, which is one of the great traditions of the College. It is the event we use to showcase the many and varied talents of our students, raise money for a worthy cause and to celebrate the achievements of Term 3. The Penny Concert is organised and run by the Student Representative Council. The crowd shows their enjoyment of each performance by putting money (originally pennies but now silver coins) in collection buckets. SRC members pass the buckets around at the end of each act to collect the 'pennies'. The winner is the act that raises the most money. We encourage students to start collecting silver coins now to ensure they have a sizeable collection for distribution on the day. We have fabulous talent in our College and we are looking forward to seeing who ends up vying for the favour of the audience on the last day of term. Parents and families are encouraged to attend. The Penny Concert is in the College Hall, on the last Friday 22nd September at 1:15pm.

Last Thursday's Round Robin was a positive day. Thanks to all of our coaches. This was the last big event on our Sports Calendar for Mr Davies, our Sports Coordinator. Mr Davies, as always, has done an amazing job organising our sport this year. He is a great asset to our College.

We are looking forward to seeing all of our families on Tuesday night for Parent/Student/Teacher interviews. Remember to book online through Sentral. Please ring the office if you require any help doing this.

ATTENDANCE: One week to go! Let's have 5 full days of learning! Long continue to be the house to beat with Bainbridge hot on their heels. Come on Cumming and Weinberg!

Students this term with 90% or better attendance	
Week	Number of students
2	228
3	197
4	203
5	191
6	195
7	183
8	188
9	185



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Literacy Corner

Some writing from the Big Write so far.

Prompt: Would you rather read minds or be able to fly?

Flying has its advantages. Like, if you could control it you might even be able to save someone's life and if you're late for something you could fly there. Reading minds? The bad thing about reading minds is there are too many to read. What if all that input came at the same time? You'd explode!

Lachlan Jeffery – Y8

Prompt: Would you prefer to be a cat or a dog?

...In music, when writing a song there are types corresponding to the chords sound and feeling. For example, the chord that feels most like home and brings the listener warmth and comfort is referred to as the tonic. In the classic hit song 'Mary had a Little Lamb' twelve of the sixteen beats are played using the tonic, and the tonic feels like home, but it's about as fun as spending all your time at home. That's what it would be like living as a dog. Your day slows to a crawl as you lay dormant, waiting for your owner to come back from their work or school location, only to waste the rest of your time getting as much attention as a toothbrush.



Having a life based around that cultish ritual would be frustrating, infuriating even. But a life like a cat would be luxury, living free and privately, more human than any other domesticated creature.

Oscar Draper – Y8

Prompt: Would you rather read minds or be able to fly?

As humans we are granted the art of conversation. We get the thrill of meeting people and gradually getting to know them and of reading people's emotions by paying attention to their facial expressions and body language. We also have the privilege of having our own private thoughts and of being a little dishonest to spare people's feelings...It would be exhausting, always knowing what someone thought of someone else, or you. Always having to think ahead so to not offend people, constantly waling on eggshells. Wouldn't this be a tortuous cage compared to the freedom of flying?



I certainly think so, mind reading would be so invasive and flying would unravel so many opportunities for you to experience.

Mia Rouget – Y8

Prompt: The plan

"Wake up, you're going to be late" yelled Mum.

I quickly jumped out of bed, slurped up my Weetbix and ran out the door. As I shut the door the bus went by. "oh no" I said sadly

"Wait I have a plan, a plan, a good plan" I said while extending my finger in the air like superman.

I ran to the garage and lifted the roller door. I ran to my go-cart and started yanking the pull start. I tried and I tried, I was about to give up when...BRRRAAPPP!

Nathan Capp – Y7

Puzzle

1	WALKING AIPHEEL	
Prison prison prison prison prison.	W@K @D W@K @D W@K @D	BLpigANKpigET

Answer to the previous puzzle

N	E	G
I	S	L
S	S	B

9 letter word: blessings

Possible words: 55

Careers News

Doxa – Year 12 support opportunities

Cadetship & Future Insights Programs are now accepting applications from students.

These programs are aimed at young people who've faced adversity and are aspiring to attend university or alternate education in 2018. Everyone is different, this may include financial hardship, trauma, newly arrived and refugee young people, LGBTIQ+ young people and Torres Strait Islander young people.



*While
Aboriginal*

Doxa's Cadetship Program

The Cadetship is more than a scholarship or internship, it's a holistic approach to the development of a young person through their education pathway. As part of the program, Cadets have access to:

- *Financial assistance for living expenses and educational resources*
- *Eight weeks work placement each year*
- *Professional development training*
- *Peer and Industry Mentors*
- *Networking opportunities*

Future Insights Program

Future Insights is a one year program for 1st Year University students to support them to adapt to University life and to turbocharge their career path. The program is delivered via a series of development workshops, offering:

- *Support to find a Mentor*
- *Adapting to University*
- *Industry insights*
- *Access to volunteering opportunities*

For more information please visit www.doxa.org.au or visit Felicity Wilmot in the Careers Office (5770 2006). Applications close on Friday the 3rd of November 2017

Girls Make Games

Girls Make Games (GMG) Summer Camp is an International Game Development Program designed to inspire middle and high school girls to learn game design, programming and entrepreneurship. Camp attendees will have the opportunity to learn:

- *Game programming*
- *Game Design*
- *Game Art*
- *Intro to VR*
- *Audio Engineering*
- *Practice Pitching to Industry Experts*

Plus there will be an excursion to local game studio/tech company.

The GMG will be held on the:

15th January - 20th of January 2018

9am - 4pm.

Lawson Room, Building 69, Room 201 (22 Alliance Way, Clayton Campus)

Monash University, Clayton Campus.

Currently GMG are offering an early registration discount of \$50. Pre-registration link: <http://girlsmakegames.com/ausreg.html>

GMG also offer needs-based financial aid scholarships. Families may apply for scholarships by completing the financial aid application found here: <http://girlsmakegames.com/ausreg.html>

For more information please contact Felicity Wilmot in the Careers Office (Ph: 5770 2006).

Work Experience 2018 Application Deadlines

Parks Victoria:

Applications Close 2nd February 2018

<https://parkweb.vic.gov.au/learn/work-experience>

CSIRO: Applications needed to be made prior to May during 2017 – I imagine there will be similar timeframes in 2018.

<https://www.csiro.au/en/Careers/Student-and-graduate-opportunities/Work-experience>

Magistrates Court:

<https://www.magistratescourt.vic.gov.au/about-us/careers-court/work-experience-magistrates-court>

Department of Defence: various positions available best to check the website:

<http://www.defence.gov.au/WorkExperience/Default.asp>

Melbourne Theatre Company: Open to students in years 11 or 12. Must be 16yrs of age. Check application requirements during **November 2017**.

<http://www.mtc.com.au/education/students/work-experience/>

National Gallery of Victoria:

Applications close 2nd of October 2017

<https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/about/people-and-careers/join-the-team/work-experience/>

Alfred Hospital:

Applications are not yet open for 2018

<https://www.alfredhealth.org.au/careers/work-experience/the-alfred-secondary-school-work-experience-program>

The Royal Women's Hospital:

Applications are not yet open for 2018

<https://www.thewomens.org.au/careers/work-experience/>

The Royal Melbourne Hospital:

Applications are not yet open for 2018

<https://www.thermh.org.au/health-professionals/careers/work-experience>

AFL: Check individual team requirements:

Carlton: <http://www.carltonfc.com.au/club/employment>

Essendon: <http://www.essendonfc.com.au/our-club/employment>

Geelong: <http://www.geelongcats.com.au/club/careers>

Hawthorn: <http://www.hawthornfc.com.au/club/people/careers>

Melbourne: <http://www.melbournefc.com.au/club/people/work-experience> (applications closed in March during 2017)

North Melbourne: <http://www.nmfc.com.au/club/employment>

St Kilda: <http://www.saints.com.au/Club/about/careers>

ABC: the national public broadcaster in television, radio, new media and digital service industries:

<http://www.abc.net.au/careers/cadetshipsandworkexperience/>

Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars

The University of Melbourne's Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program applications opened, last Monday, the 28th of August. This program is an academic enrichment program designed to support high achieving year 11 & 12 students. What you get:

- A taste of university life
- The chance to meet and connect with other students like you
- The opportunity to develop your leadership and community involvement skills
- Access to the University of Melbourne resources, academics and events at the Parkville campus.
- A guaranteed place at Melbourne
- Scholarship to study overseas
- Relocation allowance

Selection occurs in year 10 based on ASC endorsement, your academic performance, community contribution and leadership skills.

Applications close on the 9th of October 2017. For further information please see Felicity Wilmot in the Careers Office

Is your computer 'broken'?

We ask that parents check their child's device over the next few days, and if they are show any signs of damage to organise for any necessary repairs over the vacation period. Without a functioning device, students learning outcomes may be compromised in some key learning areas. For example: in English students are required to show evidence of editing their work and MS Word is most commonly used to assess this skill. When producing 'multimodal' presentations, students need access to digital tools. Without access to digital technology, students may not be able to demonstrate evidence of having achieved a particular outcome.

Alexandra Secondary College is a Bring Your Own Device school and as such is not in a position to supply devices for student use.

Should you be considering the purchase of a new device for your child, we encourage you to refer to the 'BYOD 2018' document available on Sentral, which identifies the key features to be considered in the purchase of any new device.

Any further information regarding BYOD can be directed to Jacki Tossol at the College on 5770 2000.

Year 9 SSL Update from Dinner Plain



We received an update this week from James Southam, Angus Smith and Joshua Harding from the Dinner Plain campus of the School for Student Leadership. We thought many of you would be interested to read of their daily activities. For our current Year 8 students, this will be particularly pertinent as you now start to contemplate if you would like to engage in this programme in 2018. "We have been doing a lot of fun things here at the Alpine School. Just recently we had Expo 2, which is snow camping and skiing for three days and two nights.

We also do educational classes, but not like the ones at school. Here, we do classes on self-improvement with topics like Self-Awareness, Social Awareness, Metacognition (yeah that is a word), Cultural Diversity, Decision Making and

Questions and Possibilities. These classes help you to improve on how you think, how well you present and feel comfortable in front of others.

You make friends at the Alpine School so quickly and they are friends that you will have forever and will make your experience amazing.

Recently we have been working a lot on our Community Learning Project (CLP) which is on plastic pollution. We have been completing our presentation and rehearsing it so that we are ready for our presentation day on Friday."

Intermediate Dodgeball

Congratulations to the Intermediate Dodgeballers. They managed to come in first and second places respectfully from a competition of 13 teams. Not only did they demonstrate their physical and mental prowess on the court, they also showed great integrity and respect to their opposition. Great work team!





YEA - ALEXANDRA - KINGLAKE
HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Spring 2017

BOOK AND PAY
ONLINE TO
SECURE YOUR
SPOT. LIMITED
PLACES
AVAILABLE

AGES 12+

Wednesdays 8am-6pm
September 27 and October 4 2017



#OpShop Tour #Watermarc #Treetop Adventures #Mini Golf

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Maroondah Mini Golf and Adventure Park

Tuesday 26th September \$17 ALL AGES 12+

Back by popular demand! We will do 36 holes of adventure golf over 2 courses. With loads of landscaping and building level changes it's heaps of fun and full of challenges.

WaterMarc

Wednesday 27th September \$10 ALL AGES 12+

As the weather warms up its that time again for the spills and thrills of Watermarc. Access all areas, indoor water play and water slides.

Forest Adventures Kinglake Wilderness Camp

Tuesday 3rd October \$5* ALL AGES 12+

A chock full day of adventure awaits only a short drive from Ellimatta. A session of Mountain Biking AND Treetop Adventures, plus lots of other outdoor recreation stuff to do and explore. A day not to be missed!! *Cost is refundable on day

Op Shop Tour

Wednesday 4th October \$5* ALL AGES 12+

Following on from the success and fun of our last Op Shop tour we are doing it again, this time with a different route. By request, we will head to Savers in Greensborough plus up to 10 other Op Shops in the area. Get ready for bargains and loads of fun *Cost is refundable on day.

To book a holiday program activity please visit the Ellimatta Youth Inc. website or get in touch.

We offer an inclusive program that supports people with independent mobility and low support needs. Please call to discuss individual requirements. These are low supervision activities and good behaviour by young people is expected and makes the day fun for everyone. Pick up and drop off for all excursions are at the Yea Community House, Alexandra Shire Office, Ellimatta Youth Inc. Supported places for those experiencing financial hardship.