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ALEXANDRA SECONDARY COLLEGE

JULY 22, 2021

WEEK 2

Snow Much Fun To Be Had!



Our Ski Squad Program is up and running and off to a glorious start. The weather has been fantastic, and the snow delightfully powdery.

Dates to Remember

Thursday 28th July

School Production Premier

Wednesday 10th August - College Open Night

Wednesday 17th August - Curriculum Day

Monday 12th September - Central & Northern Oz Trip

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Career's & Pathways

Information on Tertiary Open Days.

Don't forget, if your child requires a bus pass to travel on a different bus, please send a note in with them to take to the office.

Principal's Report

It is with great excitement that we anticipate the performances of our College Production next week. It will be the best show in town. There are still tickets available for each of the three nights through the front office and tickets will be available at the door.

We are looking forward to seeing a lot of our current and future families and students at our Open Night on Wednesday 10th August. Please put this night on your calendar. This is an important opportunity for students and parents to speak to staff and listen to information sessions, to get the knowledge needed to make good subject selections for 2023.

All families of students going into Year 10 and higher are strongly encouraged to make an appointment with Felicity Wilmot, our excellent Careers Coordinator, either on the night or on another day, before making final subject selections. Bookings can be made through Sentral or the Front Office.

The Open Night also provides an opportunity for families to wander through the College to:

- See the wonderful facilities we have and take in the displays and activities that demonstrate the strong learning and talent of our students.
- Speak to teachers from all subject areas.

Well done to our Senior Girls Badminton team who competed at the Hume event yesterday. While the girls did not manage to win through to State, they gave a strong account of themselves. Thanks to Mr Nadj for coaching and taking our team.

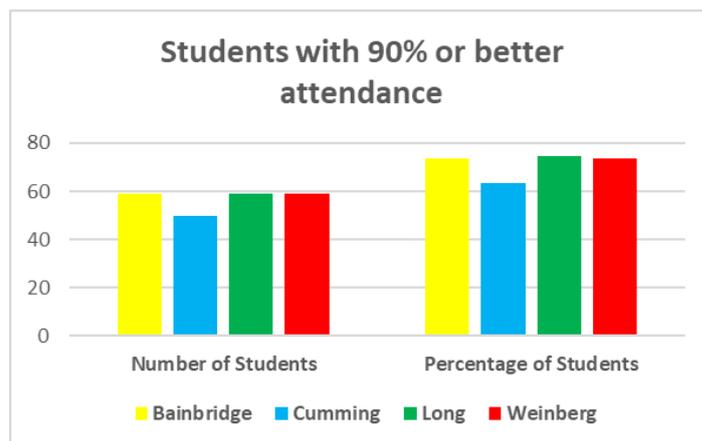
It is very even in the Attendance component of our House Competition, with Long having a slight lead.

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Percentage of students with 90% attendance and above		
	Last week of last term	Week 2 Term 3
Year 7	36%	68%
Year 8	44%	67%
Year 9	45%	83%
Year 10	35%	60%
Year 11	65%	70%
Year 12	47%	81%

Child Safety

Alexandra Secondary College is committed to child safety.

Members of the school community can view our Child Safety Policy on our school website: asc.vic.edu.au

Alexandra Secondary College | Policies

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Alexandra Secondary College Open Night



Wednesday 10th of August 6.00pm to 8.30pm

TIME	SESSION	Length
6:00pm	Information session about YEAR 7	30 min
	Information session about the LATER YEARS	30 min
6:30pm	A Showcase of the Opportunities that ASC students look forward to	15 min
	Students speaking about their VCE & VCAL experience	15 min
6:45pm	Information session about YEAR 9	30 min
7:00pm	Information session about YEAR 7	30 min
7:15pm	Students speaking about their VCE & VCAL experience	15 min
7:30pm	Information session about the LATER YEARS	30 min
	A Showcase of the Opportunities that ASC students look forward to	15 min
7:45pm	Information session about YEAR 9	30 min

Come along to our combined Open Night for families who are interested in what Alexandra Secondary College has to offer. There are also specific sessions for families of students who in 2023 will be starting Year 7, 9, 10 or VCE. It's one evening where we will present all of the information you need.

Families just need to attend the sessions that interest them, each session is run twice.

The entire College will be open for families to take guided or self guided tours. Staff from the different learning areas will be available throughout the College for parents and students to talk to and also there will be displays of everything the College has to offer.

ALEXANDRA SECONDARY COLLEGE PRESENTS



OGRES ARE LIKE ONIONS

A 2022 SHREK Themed Production

THURSDAY 28 JULY | FRIDAY 29 JULY | SATURDAY 30 JULY

DOORS OPEN 6:15PM | SHOW STARTS 6:30PM

ASC SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS ON SALE NOW FROM THE SCHOOL'S
FRONT OFFICE. [5770 2000](tel:57702000)

This is a drug, alcohol and smoke free event for all ages, made possible with support from Murrindindi Shire Council's Youth Services and the Victorian Government FReeZA program.



Tickets

Adult: \$20

Child/Student: \$10

Family: \$50

Our Year 12 Students are talking about ...

The Central and Northern Australia Tour

Watching the sunset at Uluru was definitely a highlight. Watching the rock change colour as the sun went down was quite peaceful and relaxing. I also enjoyed exploring places that I would never have thought to visit.

Kasey Johnson



My highlight of the tour was the Kings Canyon Rim Walk, and being in Darwin for the Northern Territory Day celebrations.

Daniel Renfrey



Despite all the wonderful memories I have, my favourite highlight was watching a saltwater crocodile devour a turtle, the crunch echoed through the billabong, and I even got it on camera!

Joss Lopez

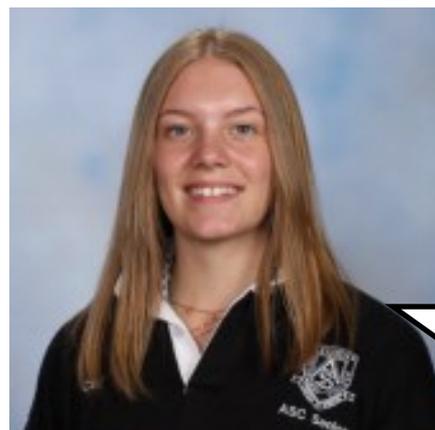
Some of my highlights were visiting the Royal Flying Doctors Service, Berry Springs Nature Park and going on the Yellow Water Cruise.

Alyssa Miller



The highlight of my trip was Berry Springs. Being able to swim with my friends in that beautiful spot was fun and the fear of a freshwater crocodile was exhilarating. Overall the springs were relaxing and majestic.

Graedy Keating



I don't want to be a cliché and say all of it, but honestly it was. It was an unforgettable experience of a lifetime and I'm so glad I had the chance to experience it with incredible people. It was an honour to meet the traditional owners of the land and learn the fascinating history. I am thankful for every single moment on the trip and highly recommend it to anyone considering on going on the tour.

Jessica Waixel



Out & About



Y11 BIOLOGY UNDERTAKING HOMEOSTASIS EXPERIMENTS TO INVESTIGATE NEGATIVE FEEDBACK MECHANISMS IN PLAY WHEN PLACED IN HOT AND COLD EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENTS. TEMPERATURE, HEART RATE AND BLOOD PRESSURE RECORDINGS WERE TAKEN AT REGULAR INTERVALS.



YEAR 8 STUDENTS HAVE BEEN STUDYING CELLS AND THEIR ORGANELLES (MINI ORGANS INSIDE CELLS). THEY HAVE VIEWED CELLS USING MICROSCOPES, COLLECTED AND CULTURED BACTERIA AND FUNGUS SAMPLES FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL, AND STUDIED THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BIOLOGICAL KINGDOMS. TO FINISH OFF LAST TERM, YEAR 8 STUDENTS REPRESENTED ANIMAL CELL ORGANELLES WITH LOLLIES ON A CHOCOLATE BASE. THE STUDENTS HAPPILY DEMONSTRATED AN APPETITE FOR LEARNING.

Open Days 2022

Lots of tertiary institutions have both virtual and on campus open days happening this year. Open days are a great way to get a real sense of where you or your young person might be going in the future.

Why attend an open day?

Meet and chat with institutions representatives regarding the courses that align with your interest area. Tour the camps and facilities. Enjoy the campus vibe and find out about the various student support services, accommodation options, clubs and societies.

Explore the study and pathway options both into and out of the course that you are interested in. What do you need to get into the course; ATAR, minimum study scores, interview, folio presentation, additional assessments (UCAT or Casper), Immunisations, Working with Children's Check or Police Check?

Ask about whether there are any scholarships or early admission you might be eligible to apply for and find out what the process is.

Find out about what last year's graduates are doing now. What percentage have gone into full time and part time work in a related industry and those that have found work elsewhere as well as the percentage of graduates who may have enrolled in further education and training. Where do last year's graduates now work, which organisations? This information will give you a great feel for where you might end up.

Enquire about any industry placements that might be required as part of your course. Undertaking an industry placement can make the difference in terms of stepping into a job at the end of your qualification.

Be sure to get online and check out the institutions that most interest you. Once on their website you can find out how to get the most out of your Open Day experience. Many institutions have competitions running during their open days and some even have special welcome services for regional visitors. For a full list of open days please visit 'VTAC Open Days 2022' at: <https://www.vtac.edu.au/opendays.html>

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Next weekend's open days include:

Sunday 31st of July 2022 - Swinburne University of Technology – Hawthorn Campus 10am -4pm. To register & for information please visit: <https://www.swinburne.edu.au/>

I'd love to hear your thoughts – it's a lot of info to run every week and the list of institutions will be quite long in August.

Cheers

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ALEXANDRA FRUIT & VEG

STAFF NEEDED

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

3.45-6.00PM

EXTRA HOURS AVAILABLE IN A.M

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK INDEPENDENTLY AND EXPAND YOUR SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE IN A FAST BUT FUN ENVIRONMENT.

GENERAL CLEANING DUTIES, CUSTOMER SERVICE, PREPPING AND REPLENISHING STOCK, FILLING ORDERS.

WE ARE SEEKING SOMEONE WHO IS RELIABLE, HONEST AND READY TO BRING THEIR INITIATIVE TO OUR TEAM—IMMEDIATE START

IF THIS IS YOU, PLEASE CONTACT ASH 04 17 463 647



Experience Outdoor and Sustainability Education

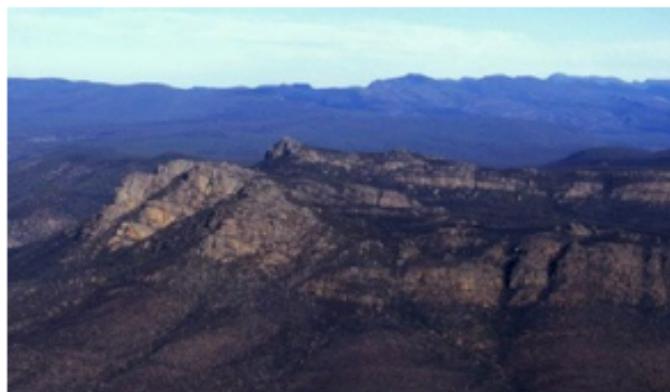
Spring Programme | 26th - 30th September 2022

Love the outdoors?

Are you in year 10, 11 or 12?

Join us for a significant experience that might alter your future directions.

With the Outdoor & Sustainability Education @ La Trobe Spring Programme, you will experience the natural environment of Gariwerd (Grampians), bushwalking over several days and nights.



Making important decisions about your future can be challenging, especially if you don't fully understand how a university course can help you achieve your goals.

Experience what it's like to be an Outdoor and Sustainability Education student at La Trobe University through our Spring Programme in the September school holidays.

Meet current university students and other secondary students from across the nation. Learn how our courses can help you find out more about yourself and can start a rewarding career.

La Trobe University's Outdoor & Sustainability Education is internationally recognised for its innovative approaches to education, teaching and research.

Located at the Bendigo campus, Outdoor & Sustainability Education provides a unique, well-supported learning community in a beautiful natural setting.

The Outdoor & Sustainability Education programme is designed so that students can combine outdoor educational experiences with an environmental & sustainability knowledge base.

Join us for a 5-day bushwalk led by final-year La Trobe Outdoor & Sustainability Education students in the September school holidays.

Interested? For further details, contact:

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TO EXPRESS INTEREST: <https://forms.gle/Hd7DJF6iG1rpqKPr5>

THE FUTURE BELONGS TO PROBLEM SOLVERS

Australian
Mathematics
Competition
Friday 5th of August.
REGISTRATION!

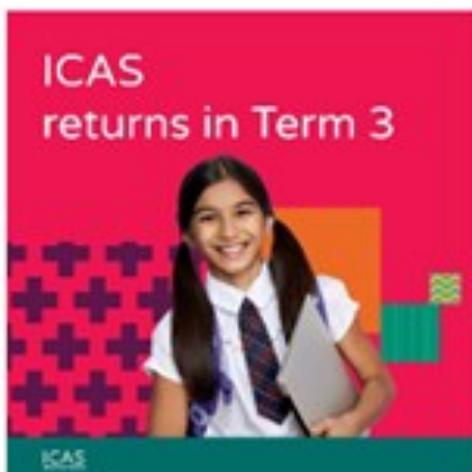
This year's competition will be fully online in the library.

Please speak to Mrs Marchetti or your Maths teacher to get your name on the list! Cost is \$7.50.

Enrolments cut off July 29th.

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ICAS ASSESSMENTS



ICASS will return to Alexandra Secondary College this year. We encourage you to consider entering your child in ICASS. This fantastic assessment program allows students to challenge themselves and be recognised for their academic efforts. The assessment is now fully online and sitting dates will commence in Term 3. Students can enrol in tests for English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies and Science.

You can now pay for ICASS online! To confirm your child's participation:

1. Visit shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps
2. Enter our unique school code RWW467
3. Make a direct payment to ICASS Assessments.

Online payment closing date is Monday August 1st. Learn more by visiting icasassessments.com.