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ALEXANDRA SECONDARY COLLEGE

Monday 5th Feb, 2024

WEEK 2

Year 7 Class of 2024



Last week we welcomed an absolutely gorgeous group of Year 7's into our ASC community. We are already having a fantastic time getting to know each other, and their smiles are already brightening out days.

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 7th February – Homework club is back.

Friday 16th February – Swimming Carnival.

Thursday 22nd February – School Photo Day.

Tuesday 27th February – Investiture Assembly.

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Principals Report

Keeping you up to date with current information on our week at ASC.

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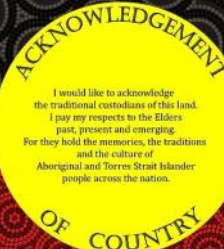
SSL

Our students have departed for the School for Student leadership 2024

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New Staff

Meet our new staff on Page 5.



Principal's Report

Welcome to the 2024 school year. An especially warm welcome, to our new students and families. We also welcome new staff members:

- Jamie Lynch is our new School Counsellor, taking over from Bron Howell.
- Meg Bonsema is teaching English.
- Lizzie Butcher is teaching Science and Maths.
- Michelle Lander is teaching English and Japanese.
- Anthony Mitrow is teaching English and Japanese.
- Jess Collins is teaching Psychology and Humanities and also has a counselling role.

We also welcome back Marian Rice, Annette Mook and Matt Corkhill who have taken on allotments for teachers on leave.

At our first College Assembly on Wednesday our students were encouraged to set one learning goal for the year and to use their family, friends and teachers to help them with strategies to achieve this goal.

We also heard from our four fantastic College Captains whose strong message was to make 2024 a great year by getting involved. The first major opportunity for involvement outside the classroom will be at our Swimming Sports on Friday 16th February.

Parents and family are very welcome to attend the Swimming Sports as either spectators or helpers (there is always room for a parent on a stopwatch).

On Wednesday there will be a sign-up sheet for students wishing to join the Student Representative Council, SRC. Any student who wishes can join. SRC plays an important role in making changes in the College through student voice. They also organise activities and fundraisers for the College. We encourage parents to speak to students about joining SRC. Often a small encouragement from home can be the difference a student needs to grasp an opportunity at school.

We love working with our families; we want to know if you need help or you feel there is an issue. We welcome feedback on what we can do differently or better, as well as what you appreciate and would like us to keep doing. All teachers' emails can be found through the College website <http://asc.vic.edu.au>.

Often the best person to contact, as a first port of call for parents, is your students "Year Level Coordinator".

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Child Safety

Alexandra Secondary College is committed to child safety.

Members of the school community can view our Child Safety Policies, along with all of our other school policies, on our school website:

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(asc.vic.edu.au)

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Year 9s head to Dinner Plain

Four of our Year 9 students departed Alexandra on Sunday for the School for Student Leadership School (SSL) at Dinner Plain, near Mount Hotham.

Archie Gibson, Braydn Stewart, Alex Williams and Ella Shepherd will spend the next eight weeks at the Dinner Plain campus.

This school, like ASC, is run by the Department of Education and Training. Unlike classes at ASC, classes at SSL take place in a different setting and are of a different nature. Many classes are held outdoors. These include rafting, hiking and Expos. Expos are 1 or 2 day overnight expeditions, which students plan themselves. Whilst some classes are held indoors, the content of these is also different from typical classes at ASC.

Students explore their own capabilities, identifying strengths and challenges in their learning. They identify strategies to strengthen their areas of challenge. Students learn motivational strategies, develop teamwork skills and identify and adopt a leadership style that suits them.

On their return from Dinner Plain at the end of Term 1, these four students will have developed a Community Learning Project that they will put into action to benefit our own community. As an example, 'Towels for Pals' was the project developed by our 2023 SSL students.

Each year in Term 2, applications for our school to be accepted into the following year's SSL program are lodged. The success of our application is not known until the end of Term 3. Fingers crossed our current Year 8 students will also have the opportunity to take part in this program in 2025.

If you have any questions about SSL, please direct them to Jacki Tossol, preferably by email to jacalyn.tossol@education.vic.gov.au.





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BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURT

UP AND RUNNING



After months of hard work and dedication, our beach volleyball court is up and running. Students are having a fantastic time enjoying it in their breaks. A huge thank you to Darrell, Lachy, George and Ally, along with our PE team, for all of your hard work.





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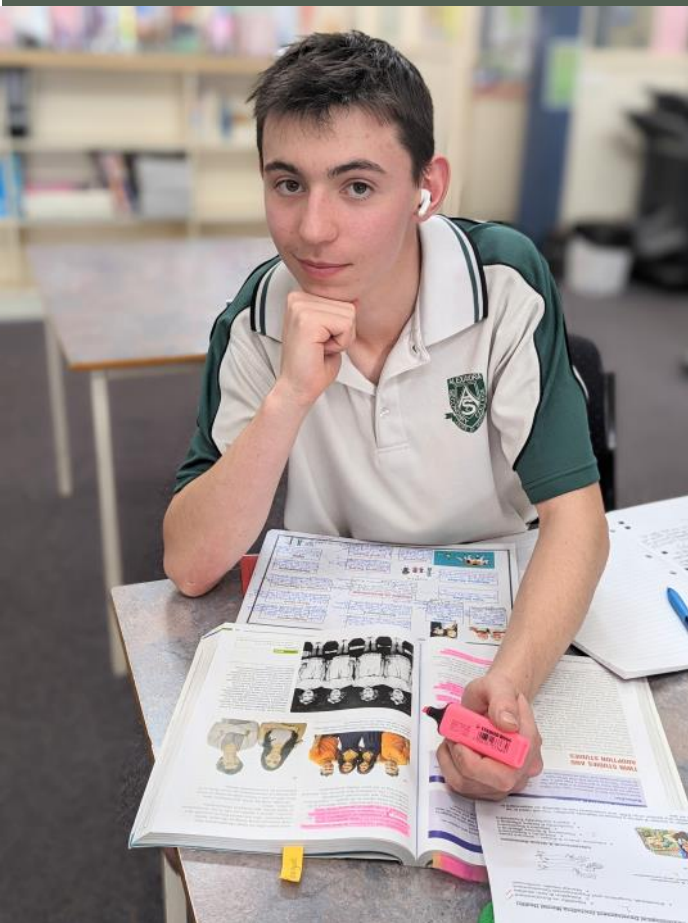


Clockwise - Lizzie Butcher, Michelle Lander, Jess Collins and Anthony Mitrow.



Above - Meg Bonsema and Jamie Lynch

Homework Club



Homework club is back this Wednesday 3.30 to 5.30. This is the perfect opportunity to get some homework done without distraction, or seek assistance from the brilliant mind of Ms Cath Zerbe.... And enjoy an afterschool snack of hot chips.



Uniform Store Update.....



Just a reminder the uniform store will continue to operate on Monday morning 8.30-11.30 and Wednesday afternoon 12.30 to 3.30. The uniform store is **CARD ONLY**. You can also purchase school uniform through our website.

Swimming Carnival



We will be having our annual swimming carnival on Friday the 16th of Feb. We encourage Parents and family members to pop in on the day and share in some of our school spirit. If you would like to spend some time assisting (even if you only have an hour or two) please email Ally Crouch at allison.crouch@education.vic.gov.au

Looking for some after school or weekend work.....

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◆ JOIN OUR TEAM ◆

**WE ARE
HIRING**

◆ CAFE JUNIOR ◆

If you're interested or know someone that would suit the role ~ have a chat to one of our friendly staff and send a resume through to info@dindinaturals.com.au