On Thursday September 11th the new French Ambassador, HE Mr Christophe Lecourtier briefly visited the school with Eric Soulier, the Head of Culture, Education, Science and Technology and Myriam Boisbouvier-Wylie, the honorary Consul General for Melbourne. The Ambassador was interested in the progress of the French Bi-National program and was delighted by the fact that the enrolment numbers in this program had at least doubled for next year. The Ambassador then met our French teachers, Ms Abel and Ms Steuer and the Year 7 French Bi-National students to discuss the program.

It was very pleasing to see the many parents who attended Tuesday’s Parent Teacher night. This event was valuable as it provided parents the opportunity of discussing their child’s progress with their teachers. Although the interim reports give everyone a snapshot of a student’s progress, being able to discuss in detail the learning opportunities that your son or daughter can improve on between now and the end of the year is important.

This week has been Arts and Technology Week. It has seen the Arts and Technology staff and students doing activities and showcasing the wonderful work that has been produced in the various subjects. It’s been full on and I know that the students have enjoyed all of the various lunchtime activities. The exhibition that was on display on Parent-Teacher night was well attended and I received a number of positive comments from parents. For the Year 12 students this is an important time of the year. It is important that you use the holidays to at least begin your exam preparation (if you haven’t already started) to give yourselves the opportunity to do your best in the end of year exams. Finally, I would like thank Mr McPherson for his work in the role as Acting Assistant Principal over the past 4 weeks and I would like to wish all staff and students a relaxing and restful holiday.

Jim Ringin
Acting Principal
Endangered Animals Visit Auburn

Ever wanted to cuddle a crocodile or pat a python?

Some of our year 7s and Language Centre students had an opportunity to do just that recently. Wild Action brings endangered and vulnerable Australian animals into classrooms. Our students met a large range of animals including a barking owl, a saltwater crocodile, a diamond backed python, a potoroo and a koala. It was an action packed session as the lace monitor bit the handler and the python disgraced itself all over the carpet.

The Language Centre students have been studying endangered animals over the last few weeks and the year 7s have been studying the theme of sustainability this semester. Language Centre students have learnt some specialist vocabulary, studied written and film texts and researched and written a report on four endangered animals.

Megan from Wild Action explained the reasons why so many animals are in danger of extinction.

Human activity, in some form, is to blame; habitat destruction, pollution, rising salinity levels, hunting and poisoned bait are among the main reasons.

“I think we should plant trees more. We should be friendly to animals. They should be regarded as our friends. It’s our duty to protect them.” Rain Lin (Language Centre student)

Ms. Caruana

Auburn High School Uniform

All students will be expected to wear the new Auburn High School uniform from the beginning of 2015. The Uniform Shop is opened at the following times:

Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00pm – 1:30pm
Tuesdays 3:00pm – 3:30pm

To assist students and families to be prepared for the New Year we will be extending the operating hours of the Uniform Shop in Term 4.

From 6/10/14 the Uniform Shop will be open:
Mondays 1:00 – 1:30 pm
Tuesdays 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Wednesdays 1:00 – 1:30 pm
Thursdays 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Getting to Know You

Name: Jim Ringin

School role: Acting Assistant Principal
Subjects/responsibilities: Maths but have taught Junior Science.
Time spent in this role at AHS: Began Term 2, 2014

Other schools:
- Preston Girls SC (2 years),
- Teaching and Learning Coach at Maroondah SC and Croydon SC (4 years)
- Box Hill Senior SC (17 years)
- Gladstone Park SC (6 years)

Personal details:
Married with 4 children (2 girls & 2 boys ages 24, 22, 20 and 16).
I am one of nine children and surprisingly we all get along.

Personal interests:
- 40 years in basketball as a player, coach, referee & administrator. Played and coached rep basketball for Eltham and coached the Victorian Secondary School Girls team for 7 years for 2 national titles and 2 silver medals and 2 bronze medals.
- Like playing golf (but don’t get to play enough)
- Like watching most sports
- Love holidays (who doesn’t)
- Like listening to music

Life goals:
To travel to Asia and Europe with my wife when I retire

Working in education because:
I like working with and educating people. I get great enjoyment when I see people improve in the things that they learn and do.

Something funny to share:
In my first years of teaching I use to put joke names into tests & the students believed that they were real people.

Year Seven Hockey

On Wednesday the 10th of September the Year 7 Girls Hockey team walked down to Hawthorn Malvern Hockey Centre to participate in the Inter-School Sport Round Robin Day.

The girls were coached by Caleb Hounihan (Year 12) and Mr Jordon. The girls had only had minimal training opportunities in the lead up to the day and were all quite nervous about how they would go.

They had two pool matches on the day against Balwyn and Warrandyte. Both games were tight and very competitive and to the girls’ credit they worked hard, both defensively and offensively. They came away with a draw in both games but unfortunately it was not enough for AHS to finish on top of the pool.

AHS girls in turn had to play off for 3rd place against Doncaster, who had two state level players in their team. The Auburn girls stepped up to the challenge and were great all game, but Doncaster snuck through a goal during the last two minutes.

AHS ended up losing 1-0 but finished 4th out of six teams on the day which was a great achievement.

All the girls who participated on the day were terrific and we are so proud of them for the effort they put in, the respect they showed to the officials, how well they listened and how fast they learnt the game. Well done girls!!

Mr Jordan
AHS Fustal Cup 2014

The first ever Futsal tournament at our school has concluded. It produced its fair share of interest, excitement, surprises and dramas.

In the last edition of The Arrow, there was an article about the preliminary rounds and the semi-finals. Since then, the two losing teams of the semi-finals had a play-off match for the third place. There was no trophy or any prize to be won, yet, with pride and bragging rights on the line, it was hard fought by both teams. The Year 9s - Madrid FC, proved to be too strong in the end for the Year 7s. The 5:0 score line did not do justice to the closely contested game. With the victory, the Year 9 boys felt they had restored some pride. The fighting spirit of the Year 7s was also to be admired.

The Grand Final generated strong interest amongst the students and staff alike. The Stars of Tomorrow entered the final as the hot favourite. The Enthusiastic Year 8 team, the Dream Team, was eager to spoil the party by staging a major upset.

The game started with a bang – a goal scored in the opening seconds of the game. The game plan of the Dream Team was shattered. Just as most people were expecting the flood gates to open up, the Year 8 boys scored against the play. Before people could contemplate what had happened, the youngsters scored again. A major upset was on the cards. However, the experienced Year 11 team geared up, immediately scoring a few quick goals. Despite scoring another goal, the costly mistakes made by the Dream Team in front of their own goal proved to be devastating. The Stars of Tomorrow ran away 10:3 victorious.

The next challenge for the Stars of Tomorrow will be the game against the staff team, before taking on the winners of the Glen Eira College Futsal tournament. Congratulations to all players who participated in this year’s AHS Futsal Cup. Let’s hope next year the tournament can be bigger and better. Keep playing The Beautiful Game! Joga Bonito!

Mr. Lin

Boroondara Student Leadership Network Meeting

Boroondara Student Leadership Network Meeting at Canterbury Girls Secondary College for R U OK? Day, Thursday 11th September. It was organised to provide an opportunity for the student leaders in the area to come together and share their ideas about supporting this great cause in their schools.

The guest speaker was Grace McClure, who gave an inspiring presentation on her achievements as a model, author, T.V presenter and Ironman triathlete, relating to achieving her goals and overcoming obstacles.

It was a wonderful morning and the students enjoyed the company of the other student leaders in our area while savouring the delicious breakfast put on by Canterbury Girls Secondary College.
2015 Book List & 2\textsuperscript{nd} Hand Book Sale

Important Information

To prepare 2015 Year 12 students, the Headstart (HS) program requires students to purchase selected resources for HS commencing 17/11/14. Important dates for booklists are shown below. Items in bold for all year levels.

Some dates may alter. In 2014 electronic access to resources was trialled, so there may be limited physical textbooks for resale.

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Teachers’ Day

Year 7 LOTE Chinese students made cards for their teachers on the Chinese Teachers’ Day, which was celebrated on the 10th of September.

Auburn Parents Association present a screening of the French movie Untouchable (Intouchables - French with English subtitles)

Thursday 16th October, 7:30pm
Lecture theatre, Auburn High School

Tickets $20
(donations > $20 welcome)

All proceeds benefit Auburn High School

Ensure your place by paying before the night at Auburn High School front office, RSVP or contact Kendra Vandame - 0419 619 071
Isabelle Le Boudier - 0421 851 263
Andrew Magari - 0438 687 076
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F I N D  S T E R A N E I T I N E S T
YOUR FILM HERE

Entries for the Boroondara Youth Film Festival are now open

Open to ages 12-25 | Entries close Tuesday 14 October 2014

Win great prizes & have your film shown on the big screen at Balwyn Palace Cinema on November 18

Categories for judging include: Best Production, Best Acting, Best Plot, Most Creative, Best ‘Smart Phone’ Film, and Best Film.

For more information, or to enter your film, contact Catherine on 9835 7824.
WEP Student Exchange – See The World NOW
Do you want to see the world? Are you keen to push your boundaries and grow as a person? Could you see yourself living overseas as an exchange student in 2015? With over 20 different English and non-English speaking countries to choose from, the hardest part is choosing where you want to go!

Olivia (16) in France – "France is amazing in summer time. Honestly, indescribable. I’m extremely close with my current host family and it will be sad to leave. My host sister is my best friend and sister, and I can't imagine a life in France without her around. But we've already made plans to see each other after I leave."

Take The First Step!
Visit www.wep.org.au to request a FREE information pack for you and your parents. Our brochure contains everything you need to know about WEP’s not-for-profit student exchange programs to help you and your parents make this important decision.

Find Out More!
Meet WEP staff and returned students at one of our upcoming information sessions:

Moorabbin Information Evening
Kingston Arts Centre
979 Nepean Highway
Moorabbin VIC 3189
16 September 7:30-9pm

So, where do you want to go? Request information NOW and start planning your 2015 WEP adventure. If you have any questions about any of our exchange programs please feel free to give us a call on 1300 884 733 or email info@wep.org.au.
Become A Volunteer Host Family

Gain A Friend From Another Country!

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families. Choose a student from Italy, Belgium, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands or South America and get a glimpse into the life of another culture without having to leave the comfort of your home! Imagine the look on your new brother’s or sister’s face as you introduce him/her to Vegemite for the first time. Our exchange students are just as excited about sharing their own culture and life experiences as they are about becoming a member of an Australian family.

Arriving in January:
Ilaria (17) from Italy tells us that she is incredibly fond of animals, and that if she had her own way, she would turn her house into a zoo! She enjoys drawing in her spare time, as well as travel. She believes that living so far away from home will help her broaden her mind, and she can’t wait to live with a welcoming family.

Marco (17) from Italy is an animator at his local church group and enjoys playing both football and basketball with his friends. He also enjoys staying active by going to the gym for an hour or so after school. He is looking forward to sharing his Italian culture with you, and hopes you will share your culture with him here ‘down-under’.

+ MANY MORE

Find out more!
Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles.

Sylvia Kelly
Manager - Inbound Exchange Programs
Phone: 1300 884 733
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Online: www.wep.org.au
Baseball Program
Perfect for males and females interested in learning or playing baseball. This program will be delivered by the Malvern Baseball Club and will cover skills, fitness and games. Limited places available so register now!

Location: Sir Zelman Cowen Park, Glenferrie Road, Kooyong
Dates: Thursday 2 October and Friday 3 October 2014
Time: 1.00pm – 4.00pm  Cost: Free

Soccer Program
This fun and exciting 11 week program is ideal for male and female participants interested in learning or playing soccer. Each week the program will cover different skills and techniques, followed by a friendly game. All equipment provided.

Location: Como Park North, Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra
Dates: Wednesday 8 October – Wednesday 17 December 2014
Time: 5.00pm – 6.00pm  Cost: Free

Places are limited so bookings are absolutely essential. Register online via www.stonnington.vic.gov.au/gwusportrec

For further information please contact Recreation Services on 8290 1333 or via email recreationservices@stonnington.vic.gov.au