Swimming Carnival

Last week we held our school swimming carnival at the Bialik College pool. Students were adorned in their house colours and there was much chanting and supporting from all spectators in every event. It was a great atmosphere on the day, promoting praise and participation for the swimmers who all collected points for their Houses. The House leaders did a marvellous job assisting in the events and encouraging the swimmers in their houses. It was exciting right to the end as the margins between Houses were close. Congratulations to Freeman who was the winning House on the day. A big thank you to Mr Rhett Jordon for coordinating this major event. A big thank you as well to our parents who came along and to the Parent Association for organising a sausage sizzle at lunchtime. Thank you to Simone Cosgriff, Kendra Vandame, Charlotte Diethelm, Heather Kasa, Cassie Mastoris and Gilles Galipeau.

Trivia night – Saturday May 23rd May

The major school fundraiser being organised by the Parent Association for this year is a Trivia night to be held at the Kooyong Tennis Club on Saturday 23rd May. Simone Cosgriff, Ilias Mastoris, from the Parent Association, and I, met recently with a team from William Angliss who are helping us organise the evening. The young women in the team are very excited to be assisting us...
and they will take on the fundraising, promotion and running of our event. This will help us immensely and also them as well, as it will be part of their course work in their events management course. Profits from the night will go towards purchasing soccer goals for our oval. It is sounding like it will be a great night. Check out the “save the date” notice in this newsletter. More updates to come.

Update on building works at our school

Last year in the State Government’s May budget, we were granted $607,000 for refurbishment of part of our ground floor. The areas identified for improvement are the entrance to the main building, reception, ground floor offices, staff room and food technology area. Following the tender process, a selection panel was organised and they made recommendations. I am happy to announce that Y2 Architecture was the successful firm. They are a firm who knows our school well, as they refurbished the 1st and 2nd floors. We met with Garry Thompson, Principal Director of Y2, and have started planning. Architects have already consulted with staff who work in the designated areas about what they require. The timeline is looking good. Works are scheduled to begin mid-year and the completion of all works is likely to be early next year. The entire administration staff will need to move offices into the Photography Imaging Centre (PIC) buildings (the portables behind the main building) during construction. Access to the school through the current front doors will be blocked during the construction period. I will provide updates on the building construction in future newsletters.

Chaplaincy and Homework Policy

Our school was successful in its submission for a grant to continue with the Chaplaincy Program. The role of the Chaplain at our school is to support the emotional wellbeing of students and work within our student wellbeing team to promote positive behaviours and connectedness to school. The service agreement was signed by the School Council President and we are very fortunate that our Chaplain, Paul Worsnop, is also an English teacher. Paul supervises Homework Club on Tuesday afternoons. Council also endorsed our new Homework Policy which was made available to parents this week via a Compass news feed.

School Council elections 2015

All families should have received a notice regarding the School Council election process. Nominations closed at 4pm Wednesday 4th March. We received 9 nominations for the parent category and there are 6 places.

We are currently contacting all candidates and asking they provide a brief biography. Ballot papers with a list of candidates will be sent home on Tuesday 10th March and voting will close on Tuesday 17th March at 4pm. Please ensure you follow the directions that will be provided on how to vote and ensure that this is done within the timeline provided.

Open Night Tuesday 3rd March

What a success our Open Night was on Tuesday night, with a great turnout of current and prospective parents. We created passports for the night and families could go and visit stations set up for each learning Domain. The activities at the stations were exciting and fun for our visitors, and they could also see samples of student work. More importantly we had a large group of students who acted as ambassadors on the evening and they did a brilliant job representing our school. I received a lot of positive feedback from visitors on the night about our staff and students. A big thank you to staff, parents and students who supported our school on such an important evening.

Maria Karvouni
Principal
Immunisation forms
Immunisation forms were distributed last week to students from Years 7-10. All forms are due back to the school by the 23rd of March.

Lateness and the importance of punctuality
It is important that students and parents understand the school process with regard to lateness at the start of the school day. Where students in any year level are late to school for a third time, they will receive an after school detention on a Thursday afternoon. Detentions may also be issued by individual teachers, at their own discretion, if students are late to individual classes.

Why do we take such a strong stance on lateness? Punctuality is a standard community expectation and as such it is vital that we enforce this practice at the school. Late students disrupt teaching staff and other students, inhibit their own learning, miss vital information from tutorial group, and have a hurried and unbalanced start to the day. At a recent assembly with Year 8 students I was very heartened by their response to the question: Why is it important to be on time? Responses to the question were thoughtful and considered, and this gives me great confidence that we are well on the way to building a culture of being punctual and responsible at Auburn High School.

From the Business Manager
We have recently had some money come into our bank account with no reference, therefore we don’t know who has transferred this money. If you have made payment to the school by direct deposit in the last two weeks, can you please contact Karen on 9822 3247.

If you are transferring money directly into the school bank account to pay for fees and/or excursions please don’t forget to use your family name as reference.

Thank you,
Kari Simmons
Business Manager

Uniform Shop:
Opening Hours
Monday and Wednesday: 1:20pm – 1:50pm
Tuesday and Thursday: 3:00pm – 3:30pm
Short sleeve shirts, long sleeve shirts, boys’ shorts, boys’ trousers, summer dresses, sports tops and spray jackets (various sizes) have recently arrived.

From the Assistant Principal
If students are travelling on the train, they must plan and anticipate that there can be delays and even cancellations. The Oakleigh/Kew bus has a service that ensures students will be on time, irrespective of the traffic. The bus departing East Kew at 7:55 am will arrive at Auburn HS at 8:17am. The bus departing Oakleigh at 7:10am will arrive at 8.21am. All buses after this time will result in students being unacceptably late.

Partnerships are central to building a strong school culture. We ask that you reinforce this message to students.

John Goodman
Assistant Principal
Bi-national and advanced French students are busy preparing their collective submission for the *Dis-moi dix mots* (Tell me ten words) French contest. Students are invited to freely express their creativity and illustrate 10 French words. The 2015 selection is: *amalgam, bravo, cible, gris-gris, inuit(e), kermesse, kitsch ou kitch, sérendipité, wiki* and *zénitude*. We are looking forward to sharing their creations with you.

Another contest, in maths this time, is on schedule for March 19th. More than a very large maths contest in French, *Le Kangourou des maths* is playing with maths and logic for students and parents alike. If you are up to the challenge go to [http://www.mathkang.org/](http://www.mathkang.org/) to practise your maths in a fun environment!

Another great extension to our programs is around the corner with The French Film Festival, running in Melbourne from March, 4 – 22. As usual, the selection is wide and exiting. *Les Vacances du Petit Nicolas* is likely to be one of the favourites with families. The program also includes a very interesting selection to celebrate the First World War 100 years anniversary. We encourage you, whatever your level of French is, to attend one of the screenings. Details and complete schedule at [http://www.affrenchfilmfestival.org/](http://www.affrenchfilmfestival.org/)

Genevieve Papon
Binational French Coordinator

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**Mardi Gras Pancake Day (17th Feb)**

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The Year of Sheep, Goat or Ram? To us, they are all the same, just different types. Whatever you think it is, we wish you a Happy New Year!

This year, Auburn High School celebrated the New Year with some fun. Thanks to Ms Ch’ng who made hundreds of dumplings – Jiaozi, to help our international students to feel right at home. The traditional New Year food was well received by the students and staff alike. A sincere thank you to Ms Ch’ng for making a huge effort, helping many of us celebrate the most important day in a year. Thanks also to the following people for helping out on the day: Mr Chow, Ms Zhang, Ms Stambolziev, Ms Reynolds, Ms Lin, Ms Waldman and Mr Lin.

On New Year’s Day, the Chinese staff provided the traditional red envelopes to all the staff and to our Year 7 Chinese students. This is a tradition for children to get some money from the adults. Unfortunately, our budget would not support such a generous tradition. All students got a lolly each and the staff had a New Year message, except the lucky winner Trish Reynolds who received the $10 prize. Congratulations Ms Reynolds, lunch is on you for the rest of the year, (roast lamb for the Year of Sheep?).

Thank you all for sharing this fantastic occasion and I wish you all the best for the year!

Mr Lin
Chinese and Humanities teacher

On 3rd March, the Year 7 LOTE Chinese students and the Years 7 and 8 Bilingual Chinese students went to ACMI at Federation Square. We watched the film ‘Nightingale’ in Chinese (with English subtitles). The story was great and students really enjoyed the film. Then we went to the ‘Fudong Exhibition’ to look at the moving images.

After having lunch at Federation Square, we went to the China Books in the city. Sasha and Harry were speaking with the shop assistance in Chinese. We had a wonderful day together.

Ms Zhang
Chinese and Business Management Teacher
Chinese Bilingual Science Class: Learning about Rocks

Students have been looking at different types of rocks in the Science class. They used magnifying glasses to compare the size of minerals in the rocks and completed an observation sheet. Students also investigated the factors contributing to the size of minerals in the rocks.

Michael's Observation Sheet:

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Vikings Attack!

On the 4th March 2015 AD, the first recorded Viking attack occurred at Auburn High School, during the Chinese Bilingual class. Some vicious Viking warriors named David Huang and Qinming Wang attacked the rival tribe led by the fearless Princess Sasha Matthews.

The battle was brief and it ended with all warring parties agreeing to make peace and to join forces. Chiefs from neighbouring tribes formed an alliance with David Huang, Qinming Wang and Sasha Matthews. The other chiefs who decided to fight alongside with the old foes are Harry Kitchen and Michael Gao. These ferocious tribes are plotting their attack and looting already. Who will be the next victim?! Look out! The Vikings are coming!

Tong Lin
Chinese and Humanities teacher
Year 9 Economics students have been studying the different factors producers take into account and the factors influencing the decisions made by consumers. Last week, the classroom became a 'chocolate shop' and students were asked to work within a tight budget and set of circumstances to choose which brands represented the best value for money.

7SEAL Mystery Boxes

Year 7 SEAL History students have been working on using sources as evidence and this week brought in their Mystery Box of personal artefacts. They swapped them amongst their classmates and were then asked to analyse the sources to draw conclusions before presenting their findings formally. They used the fascinating range of artefacts to draw conclusions about the values, skills and attitudes of their peers and discovered some weird and wonderful information about their classmates as well.

Kristie Satilmis
Humanities teacher
Excursion to the Avalon Air Show

On Friday 27th of February, a group of Year 12 students travelled to Avalon Airport for the 2015 Australian International Air Show. The day kicked off with a student seminar focusing on career pathways in the aviation industry. The speakers included representatives from RMIT, an engineer for Boeing Australia and members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF), including an F-18 fighter pilot. We were escorted into the convention area, housing a vast array of exhibits displaying the aviation technology of tomorrow, from advanced safety hardware to private jets costing seven figures (entry by appointment only).

Later, armed with our security passes and hearing protection, we made our way onto the airfield. The various displays on offer made for an amazing experience; exercises by the ADF demonstrated the capabilities of our defence force and included some breathtaking manoeuvres, particularly by the F-18 Super Hornet. We were also given the opportunity to walk around and through some amazing aircraft including the Australian C-17A Globemaster III which allows Australia to rapidly deploy troops, supplies, combat vehicles, heavy equipment and helicopters anywhere in the world.

Our day concluded with a spectacular stunt show experience, complete with sky dives, 360 loops and impressive air manoeuvres. Students left feeling inspired and motivated and would like to express their gratitude to Dr Shrimpton for enabling such an interesting and astounding day.

Tiarnan Cleary
School Captain

P.A.R.T.Y Program

On Thursday last week, 26 Year 10 students attended the P.A.R.T.Y Program at the Alfred Hospital with Mr Jordan, Mr Thorburn and Ms Carla De Pietro (Student Wellbeing).

P.A.R.T.Y stands for Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth and the program aims to raise awareness in younger adults and help them think about the choices they make in life.

Students took the tram into the hospital and when they arrived they were taken through a few presentations by different staff at the Alfred. These included a Paramedic Officer, a trauma nurse and other Heads of Departments within the hospital. Students were then put into groups and taken on a tour of some of the wards within the Alfred such as ICU, ED and Trauma. This was a very eye opening experience for many students as they were given the chance to talk with and ask questions of patients who were going through a hard stage of their lives and dealing with the consequences of their choices in life.

Students asked many insightful questions throughout the day and we as a school would like to thank all those involved at the Alfred Hospital for giving us the opportunity to get a glimpse into the life of those involved in and affected by trauma.

Mr Jordon
Sports Co-ordinator
Here at Auburn High School we encourage students to engage in a wide range of exciting and enriching activities in English across Years 7 to 12. These activities are designed to foster the ability to communicate clearly and accurately in reading, writing, speaking and listening.

In English, students read for pleasure and participate in a number of challenging interests that promote growth in reading comprehension and understanding. Students choose from a wide range of literary texts such as graphic novels, comics, novels, short stories, biographies and autobiographies. Reading for pleasure and information is actively encouraged and shared. At all levels students have the opportunity to participate in reading and writing competitions such as the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

In Year 7, students are exploring the dynamics of a character’s journey in literature and film. Our Year 8 SEAL students have launched into their year with a study of a classic literary text, ‘To Kill a Mockingbird’. Our Year 7 SEAL students have been working on their powers of persuasion as they develop essay writing techniques and reflect on the tips and tricks that are used to persuade us. The focus has been on analysis and critical thinking.

In Year 8 English, students are beginning to understand how persuasive language is used in a range of multimodal media texts. They are learning how to analyse, discuss and compose persuasive language. Year 9 involves students studying social values, which urges them to think about their place in the world. By Year 10 students begin to understand the role that humour plays as a powerful persuasive tool and how this can effect an audience.

In VCE, the study of English encourages the development of literate individuals capable of critical and imaginative thinking, to appreciate their work and other texts in an aesthetic light. They begin to master and foster their competence in using Standard Australian English to meet the demands of further study, i.e. University.

The staff of the English Domain are: Lori Michael, Bernadette Caruana, Kristie Satilmis, Nola Cefai, Michael Thorburn, Jaime Talevska, Jess Weymouth (Domain Leader), and Bronwen Ch’Ng (Learning Resource Manager).

In their early years of secondary school, students begin to develop their knowledge, understanding and skills in listening, reading, viewing, speaking, writing, and creating. For this term, in Year 7, students are exploring the dynamics of a character’s journey in literature and film.

News from the English Domain
Who said Friday 13th was bad luck?!!

Sophia Cuthbertson (8S) is shaving her hair off at lunchtime to raise money and awareness for the Leukaemia Foundation – you can watch at lunchtime or you can shave some off for her if you donate $20 or more! Or, you can donate using the link to Sophia’s page:

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/sophiacuthbertsonshave

Today, 31 Australians will get the news they have blood cancer. That’s another 31 reasons to support the Leukaemia Foundation’s work – providing practical and emotional support to people facing the challenge of blood cancer, as well as investing in vital research to find better treatments and cures. Across Australia, 60,000 people are going through this right now – please sponsor Sophia and help her reach her goal. Get behind Sophia’s shave now!

Thanks for your help!

Excursion to the Holocaust Research Centre, February 23

The Year 12 English excursion involved 18 students who arrived at the Jewish Holocaust Research Centre in the morning of February 23 with two other school groups. Their day started with an introduction to the Holocaust and a brief documentary.

The students were then introduced to their guide, a family member of a survivor, who provided personal details and experience in reflection, explained and answered questions about the displays and the history. A polish survivor of the Holocaust (David) gave a speech to our students on his personal experiences of events surrounding the Holocaust.

Our students asked many thoughtful and interesting questions. At the end of the day, Kostas Hayman lit a candle in the Memorial Room with a survivor out of respect and memory. Students wrote their personal reflections from their experience of the tour.

Friday 13th March – bring a gold coin please!

Writing Competition

See the full advertisement at the end of the newsletter.
Auburn High School vs Sydney FC

What is the link between Auburn High School and Sydney Football Club? The two seem far apart with no possible link. That was true until now.

In recent weeks, Sydney FC signed a new player, Robert Stambolziev, who just happens to be the brother-in-law of Ms Stambolziev of Auburn High School. The Melbourne born player spent his early days in Melbourne, before he was picked up by Bristol Academy in the UK. He spent most of his time playing in the Greek Leagues, before returning to Australia to join Sydney FC in the A-League. Robert has also represented Australia at U-20 level. At age 24, the best of his football is still ahead of him.

Ms Stambolziev has kindly offered for Robert’s agent and also possibly Robert himself to pay a visit to Auburn High School. It is great news for our football loving students. They can provide many of our students not only with techniques, but also with some tips and advice on issues, and with behind the scenes facts.

We would like to extend our gratitude in advance to Ms Stambolziev for this exciting offer. We hope it may benefit many of our football mad students.

Mr Lin
Chinese and Humanities teacher

Swimming Carnival

On Tuesday the 24th of February, Auburn High School held its 2nd Swimming Carnival. With a new 4-house system introduced this year, students were all very excited to get involved in the first inter-house competition of the year. The four new houses are: Freeman, Hollows, Murdoch and Winton.

All students from Years 7 – 9 had the opportunity to put their name down into 5 different events of competition on the day. Each student was competing for points for their house and for an opportunity to represent the school at a Division level. The students who are not keen swimmers showed great enthusiasm in trying to earn cheering points for their Houses with big celebrations and clever chants throughout the day. We had some great times recorded by some of our young squad swimmers in Year 7, whilst there was plenty of healthy competition between our other year levels.

After all the races and relays were completed it was Freeman (799) who came out victorious ahead of Murdoch (749), Hollows (550) & Winton (478). Lets hope the same kind of enjoyment and competitive spirit can continue for the remainder of the year and we look forward to Cross-Country and Athletics in Terms 2 and 3.

I would like to thank all staff who were involved with timing and escorting students to and from the pool on the day. Also, thanks to the Parents’ Association who put on a great stall at lunchtime selling sausages, drinks and lollies.

Rhett Jordon
Sport Co-ordinator
**Do you Enjoy Singing?**

Come and join the...

**AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR**

Thursday Lunchtimes
Rooftop Music Room, Level 4
New Members Welcome!

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**Library News**

A question that many people ask me is, “How do I choose what is bought for the library?”

I visit bookstores to see latest releases, read online comments/newsletters from publishers, follow recommendations from professional reference sources, read newspaper reviews, follow particular authors and look for suggestions from readers. In a large series, the library may purchase a few beginning releases, but then a student will need to visit their local library to continue their reading journey. I also purchase books with new formats such as hybrid novels or new themes such as nanobots. A new selection of graphic novels in comic, manga and traditional formats and easy to read biographies, will soon be available to students to borrow. Please support your student by helping them to visit your local public library or sharing their current reading material. You may find that young adult reading material is addictive!

**Ms Ch’ng**
Learning Resource Manager

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**Pancake Day (17th Feb)**

**Pancake recipe used by Years 7 and 8 Food Technology students:**

**Ingredients**
- 1 cup plain flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon butter, to grease pan

**Method**
1. Sift flour, salt and sugar and make a well in the centre.
2. Mix egg and milk together and whisk until combined.
3. Add milk and egg mixture to dry ingredients and whisk until smooth.
4. Allow mixture to stand for 10 minutes, to soften the cellulose in the starch grains and produce a light batter.
5. Brush frying pan with butter. Place on low to medium heat on stovetop.
6. When pan is hot, use ¼ cup measure to pour sufficient batter to just cover base of pan. Cook until set and lightly brown on the base.
7. Turn pancake over using a spatula. Cook other side until lightly browned.
8. Turn onto a plate and keep warm.
9. Repeat steps 6-8 until mixture is used up.

**Ms Stambolziev**
Food Technology teacher
Let’s Celebrate

An invitation to all
Students, Families & Teachers
to come together and
celebrate our 1st Birthday

Date: Thursday 12 March 2015
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Auburn High School Dining Room

Music

Each family is asked to bring along a dish for sharing to create a buffet style dinner for us all

BBQ available for cooking

RSVP and enquiries or to give us a hand:
t  0407 865 098 - Heather
  0418 887 102 - Simone
  0418 513 071 - Kendra
e  contact@auburnpa.org.au

Afterschool session on 16 March from 6 to 7pm - Don’t miss out!
Understanding the Universe
Facilitated by Dr Jean-Luc Boulanger, PhD in Astrophysics
Introduction session to a broader Science program

A different and exciting way for school students to enhance their skills and have an edge
Rigorous scientific approach but accessible to students without any prior knowledge in Astronomy
Focus not only on “what we know” but also on “how we know” and “what we don’t know”

Open to parents and other family members
$30 per student or $50 per family regardless of number of family members

RSVP by 12 March: jean-luc.boulanger@bigpond.com or 0414 438 193
Information on broader program: https://sites.google.com/site/topofminduniverseau
Ms Ch’ng’s dumplings

Known as Jungdze(sic), Peking, Gyoza or Pot Stickers – makes 24

Purchase circular floured wrappers from an Asian grocery store, 1/3 cup boiling stock/water req.

Filling
125g lean mince pork, 1 med white onion – finely chopped, 1 tbsp finely chopped spring onion, ½ tsp finely grated ginger, 2 tsp finely chopped coriander leaves

Seasoning
1 beaten egg, ½ tsp salt, 2 tsp light soy sauce, 2 tsp sesame oil, 2 tsp cornflour

Dipping sauce
½ cup black/red vinegar, 1 tbsp finely shredded ginger (combine), thin with water/add sugar to taste

Mix filling with seasoning, chill. Place rounded teaspoon of filling in the middle of a wrapper, use your finger to paste some water on the edges and squish the edges together to make a semicircular shape. Do not over fill. Make as many as the mix allows.

Heat a frypan with ½ tbsp vegetable oil to a mod high heat. Place dumplings in the pan quickly, with the base slightly flattened. The base will be slightly crisped, then add 1/3 cup hot liquid (chicken stock or water) and cover pan with a tight lid, turn heat to low. When water has been absorbed – 6 mins approx., dumplings are ready.

Remove with a spatula to serve with dipping sauce.


Some of Ms Ch’ng’s dumplings served with other food to the International Students in the library to celebrate Chinese New Year

Ms Ch’ng
Learning Resource Manager
Friday Lunchtime Bites for VCE Success

Being your best

Leigh James  (Adolescent Health Nurse, AHS)

Location: V4  Term 1 Program  Time: 1:25 – 1:55pm

All VCE students welcome, bring your lunch.

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Vocal Lessons

Individual Vocal lessons, with Marley Warren, will be available for students.
Lessons will occur on Thursdays beginning 5th February, 2015.
Lesson fees: $160 for eight half hour individual lessons for Term 1.
Interested students should complete the form below and return it, with payment, to the school office.

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Vocal Lessons

Student’s name: _______________________
Year level: ___
Lesson day: Thursdays, commencing 5th February
Fees enclosed: $160 for lessons during Term 1
Come along and enjoy a delicious sausage with your family whilst supporting Auburn High School

Masters Home Improvement
Saturday 14 March 9am till 4pm
Masters Home Improvement
742 Toorak Road, Hawthorn East VIC 3123

Auburn High School Parents Association  contact@auburnpa.org.au
Writers Wanted $1000 cash & your choice of a...

Apple iPad Air 32GB

or

Xbox One

or

10.1" Samsung Galaxy Tab 4

16GB + 64GB SD memory card

or

Playstation 4

The Competition
Entry is NOW OPEN in the 2015 Schools Writing Competition! Students all over Australia are invited to enter their Poems or Short stories, and battle it out for the great cash prizes on offer. This year - there is no theme! Entrants are encouraged to let their imaginations run wild and get their creative juices flowing to write on ANY TOPIC and in ANY STYLE. Students from ALL GRADES are welcome to enter - Kindergarten to Grade 12.
Enter online at www.write4fun.net OR email to enter@write4fun.net OR fax to (07) 5574 3644 OR post with entry form details to Write4Fun P.O. Box 2734, Nerang DC, QLD 4211. Entry is FREE and all entries must be in by Sunday, 29th March 2015.

The Book
Poems and short stories entered into the competition will be considered for inclusion into our 2015 Write4Fun anthology.

Those selected will have the opportunity to purchase the edition at a discounted rate. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizewinners will receive a complimentary copy of the book. “We are very excited to be sponsoring this competition,” stated Julia Woods, Managing Editor for Write4Fun “Reading and writing seem to be taking a back seat these days to computer games and evolving technology! Our hope is that competitions such as these inspire the students to be creative with words once more and have fun doing it!”

The Prize

Poetry Prize
1st: $1000 CASH ($500 to YOU & $500 to YOUR SCHOOL) And YOUR CHOICE of a: Xbox One OR Playstation 4 OR 10.1" Samsung Galaxy Tab 4 (16GB + 64GB SD memory card) OR Apple iPad Air (32GB)
2nd: $250 CASH + Write4Fun Gift Pack
3rd: $150 CASH + Write4Fun Gift Pack
15 x Finalists: Write4Fun Gift Pack

Short Story Prize
1st: $1000 CASH ($500 to YOU & $500 to YOUR SCHOOL) And YOUR CHOICE of a: Xbox One OR Playstation 4 OR 10.1" Samsung Galaxy Tab 4 (16GB + 64GB SD memory card) OR Apple iPad Air (32GB)
2nd: $250 CASH + Write4Fun Gift Pack
3rd: $150 CASH + Write4Fun Gift Pack
15 x Finalists: Write4Fun Gift Pack

The Rules
- Only one entry per student - either a Poem OR Short Story.
- Entries to be typewritten or neatly handwritten.
- Poems must not exceed 16 lines and Short Stories must not exceed 500 words.
- Entries must be in by Sunday 29th March 2015.
- Entries must be the original work of the author.
- Co-written entries will be disqualified.
- Entry form details must accompany each entry.

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