

## From the Principal



### *Year 9 Mock job interviews*

Last week, we held our yearly simulated job interviews with all Year 9 students. We are very fortunate to have Hawthorn Rotary Club work with us over the past six years on this initiative. We had 18 Rotarians, all with extensive experience in

running businesses or corporations, who conducted interviews with our students. Students were shown how to write an application letter for their selected job, research for the position and also prepare a portfolio. The feedback at the end of the session was very positive from the Rotarians. They commented that many students presented extremely well, had done extensive research for the position and they would have been hired in a real life situation. What a great experience for our students and very worthwhile as it prepares them for the job market. I would like to thank Hawthorn Rotary for working with our school and providing our students with this invaluable experience. I would also like to thank Deb Martis our Careers / Pathways manager for all her work in organising this event, and Thomas Firth for preparing the E4L lessons.



## Important Dates

Thu 16 May	<b>Curriculum Day</b> - Instructional Practices ( <b>pupil-free day</b> )
Fri 17 May	Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Lang. Conv.
Sat 18 May	French Binational Program entrance examination
Mon 20 May	Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Numeracy
Wed 22 May	VCE Drama performance evening 6pm
Fri 31 May	VCE Girls' Night
<b>Mon 10 Jun</b>	<b>Queen's Birthday Public Holiday</b>
Wed 12 Jun	DNB oral exam
<b>Fri 14 Jun</b>	<b>Assessment and Feedback Day</b> ( <b>pupil-free day</b> )
Tue 18 Jun	School Council 6:30pm
Fri 21 Jun	VCE Boys' Night
Mon 24 Jun	DNB (9FNB)
Tue 25 Jun	VCE Expo & Information Evening
Thu 27 Jun	Year 12 Formal
<b>Fri 28 Jun</b>	<b>End of Term 2</b> School finishes at 1:15pm
<b>Mon 15 Jul</b>	<b>Term 3 begins</b>
Sat 27 Jul	Friends of AHS - Bunnings sausage sizzle
Tue 13 Aug	School Council 6:30pm
<b>Fri 16 Aug</b>	<b>Curriculum Day</b> - Instructional Practices ( <b>pupil-free day</b> )
<b>Wed 21 Aug</b>	<b>eLearning Day</b> - No scheduled classes

## French Berthe Mouchette

The Alliance Française Berthe Mouchette contest is the oldest and probably the largest French poetry competition in the world. Our school has taken part in this competition for the past six years, as it plays a key role in the promotion of Francophone language and culture. There are two categories: the oral exam, involving the recitation of a poem, and the written category. The poems are selected by the Alliance and are recorded on CD and sent to all participating schools. Students then prepare for the assessment, which involves a French examiner visiting our school and listening to students recite their poems. This year some of our non-French teachers became involved, and recorded their poem recitals, much to the delight of our students.



## AGM and “Student voice in the classroom at AHS” Parent forum

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, we hosted a parent evening forum, where we presented our 2018 School Annual Report. We then held a session involving presentations from our students on strategies we are using to develop student voice and agency, with a particular focus on classroom learning. Students ran small group activities on how student feedback is used to initiate discussions about improving learning in their classes. The school leadership team as well as our school councillors participated in the forum, and it was great to see parents attend also. Well done to our student presenters for their great work on the night.

**Maria Karvouni**  
Principal

## Important Dates (continued)

Thu 27 Aug	2019 NASA STEM Trip Parent Information session 6pm
Thu 29 Aug	<b>Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences</b> 12pm - 7:30pm Students required to attend conferences <b>No classes for students</b>
Fri 30 Aug	Athletics Carnival
Tue 10 Sep	School Council 6:30pm
Fri 20 Sep	<b>End of Term 3</b> School finishes at 1:15pm
Mon 7 Oct	<b>Term 4 begins</b>
Tue 8 Oct	Year 7 vaccinations 9am
Tue 15 Oct	School Council 6:30pm
Mon 4 Nov	<b>eLearning Day - No scheduled classes</b>
Tue 5 Nov	<b>Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Day</b>



## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

voice guitar keyboard drums  
bass guitar brass woodwind

Rock Band, Concert Band, Soloists, Guitar Ensemble, Vocal Ensemble  
SIGN UP NOW FOR INDIVIDUAL OR SMALL  
GROUP LESSONS

Contact the Office on 9822 3247 or [auburn.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:auburn.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au)

# From the Assistant Principal

## *Staff versus students netball*

There was an action-packed staff vs VCE students netball match in the gym earlier this month. There were some impressive skills on display, as well as participants who had never played netball before – or hadn't for a very long time – taking part and having a great time. The staff team demonstrated great poise and patience, ultimately taking out the match 10-6 against a very energetic and highly creative student side. Both teams were cheered on enthusiastically by staff and student spectators, led by Chief Cheerleader, Maria Karvouni. Well done to everyone who took part and came down to support the event!



## *\$20 Boss*

VCE Business Management students have been taking part in the \$20 Boss initiative this term, and there have been numerous enterprises springing up around the school such as early morning coffee and an outstanding car wash service. It is fantastic to see our students applying their learning in this very practical project.

## *Student Attitude Survey*

Students took part in the Student Attitudes to School Survey these past two weeks. Alongside the Pivot survey which is undertaken in all classes three times each year, the Student Attitudes to School Survey contributes to the rich student feedback that helps to inform school improvement initiatives and is greatly valued. This week, students, parents and staff attended a forum to explore student voice and

agency at Auburn High School, focusing on some of the whole-school Pivot data. There was rich discussion and some insightful perspectives offered. Thank you to those who participated.



## *Appropriate online conduct*

Auburn High School has high expectations of student conduct, including conduct online. Students revisit important messages around responsible and safe online behaviour each term in Education for Life. Regular, open conversations about how we interact and behave online is important in supporting young people to navigate this space comfortably and we encourage parents and guardians to make this part of the dinner table conversation on a regular basis. Social media is an increasingly important part of the way young people communicate, and can sometimes present some challenging situations. Keeping the lines of communication open so that kids can seek advice from the trusted adults in their lives is really important. Some very useful information for parents and guardians to support young people to be safe and secure online can be found here: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/iparent>, including how to make a complaint about cyberbullying via the Office of the eSafety Commissioner and how to report offensive content: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/complaints-and-reporting>

**Kristie Satilmis**  
**Assistant Principal**

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# Sport

## VCE Soccer

On a cold Tuesday in recent days, the men of Auburn VCE, undermanned but eager for glory, arrived at the hallowed grounds of Ferrara Park. The team was only able to scramble together eight players, just one more than the minimum required to play, from the outset they were up against it. Coming up against a strong Forest Hill side, with barely a warmup, Auburn were bitterly defeated 5-0. Knowing a higher standard of play and a greater tactical awareness was needed, the team cobbled together a plan reminiscent of a football manager's road to glory in order to come up against the 11 man Mullauna College. The cogs began to turn in that game as stand out stars like J.J Cevik, Andrew In, Shaymus Campbell, Chris Theologos and school captain, Jacob Silivstrini, began to link up like a Pep Guardiola Barcelona team which led the short-handed Auburn outfit to a commanding 4-0 win.

Now knowing that just one more win would get them into the final, Auburn faced up to Heathmont next. In an uneventful game where injuries were suffered and the battle was fought, Auburn came out on top 2-1 with a strong performance from Jaden Nguyen, propelling them into the final against that same strong Forest Hill that had put them to the sword earlier that day.

The Auburn performance in that final would be one that Mourinho himself would be proud of. Sitting back, absorbing the pressure, defending for their lives, would have Auburn play two long balls over the top on the counter attack, where Sam Seach would out-muscle and out-pace the Forest Hill defenders to put two in the back of the proverbial net, winning the game 2-1 for the Auburn underdogs. After shaking hands with the opposition and the team realised what they had achieved, jubilant scenes erupted. Auburn had qualified for regionals against all the odds!

## Harry Ketsakidis

Year 12



# French News

## Berthe Mouchette 2019

Speaking is key in learning a new language. This is one of the reasons all our students learning French at Auburn High School each year take part in the Alliance Française Poetry competition, the world's oldest and largest poetry contest! Last week over 160 students from Year 7 to 10 took up the challenge and performed in front of two Alliance Française examiners in the first round of the contest.



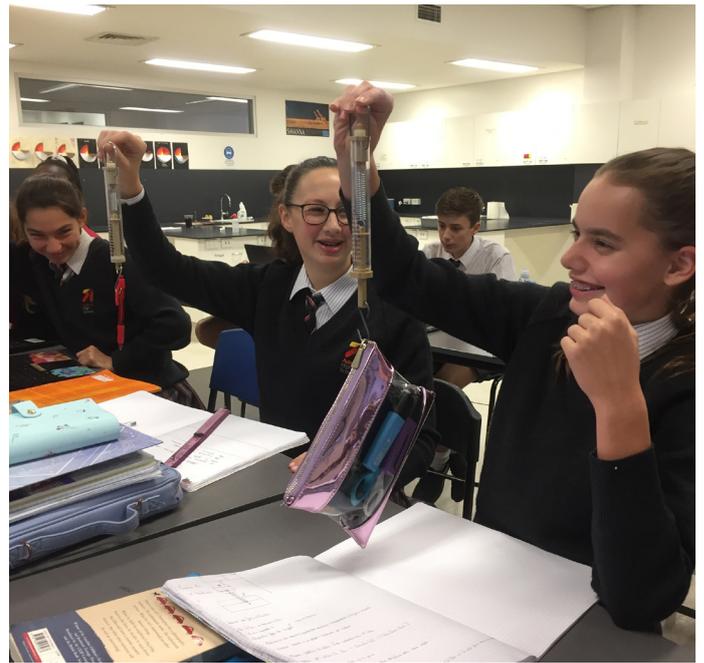
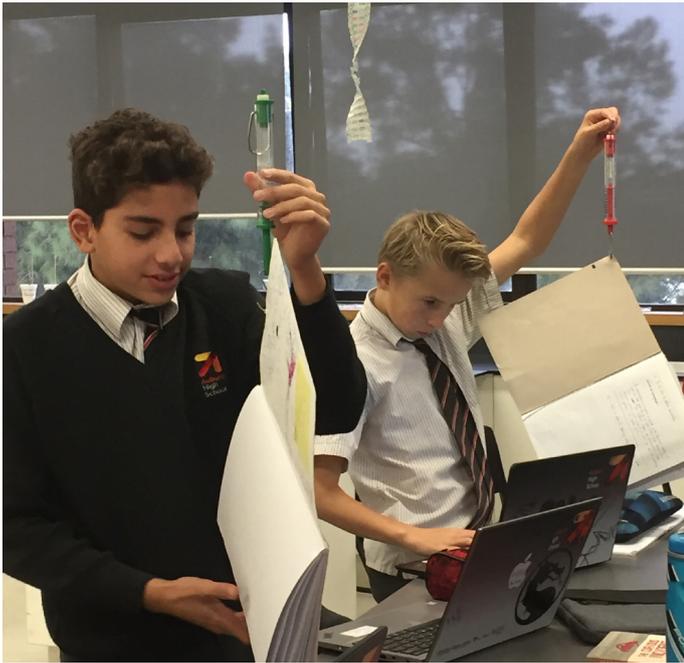
A special thank you goes to Ms Price, Ms Cefai and Ms Philipson who helped to raise students' enthusiasm by performing a recitation of the same poems. This was definitely a highlight and source of much encouragement from students coaching their teachers to grasp the correct pronunciation. Congratulations to all participants. We are looking forward to the next stage of the contest coming up with the finals and the 'Prix Special des Ecoles françaises' for Binational students.

### Science in action

As part of their Science unit on *Le Corps Humain et la Santé* (Human Body and Health), the Year 7 French Binational students of 7F and 7G recently had the opportunity to complete their own frog dissection during a science lesson. For most students, this was a first. The purpose of this hands-on activity was to explore, in particular, the nervous system of the frog and visualise some of the nerves and the spinal cord. Students also had the chance to see most of the internal organs, including the heart and the lungs, and their connection inside the frog. This experience proved to be inspiring for many students, and quite testing for others.

**Sophie Oldfield**  
Binational Science & French Teacher

# French News (continued)



Year 8 students in the French Binational program recently explored the difference and relation between Weight and Mass. They enjoyed using 'Dynamomètres' to weigh any object they could lay their hands on. Using Excel, they learned to create graphs to express the relationship between the two measures and extrapolate the difference in weight if we were on Mars or Jupiter.

**Genevieve Papon**

**Binational Science & French teacher**

## *Something to consider*

Caulfield Junior College is holding an Information night on Raising Bilingual Children on May 20th. It is a free and open event and all Auburn High families are welcome to attend.

### **Raising Bilingual Children**

#### **Caulfield Junior College**

186 Balaclava Rd, Caulfield North

**6.30pm - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**



**Professor John Hajek**, Australian linguist, director of RUMACCC (Research Unit for Multilingualism and Cross-cultural Communication) & LCNAU (Languages and Cultures Network for Australian Universities).

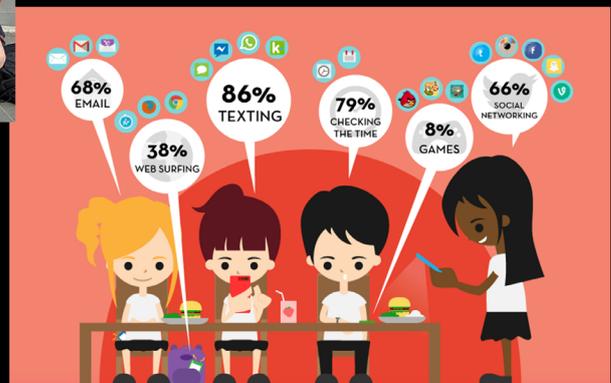
# VCE DRAMA

## Performance Evening

**Outcome 2: Presenting A Devised Performance.**

**Stimulus: Australian Social Media Statistics Feb-2019**

**Performance Styles: Epic Theatre, Verbatim Theatre, Greek Theatre**



**Wednesday May 22nd**

**S8 @6pm**

**Expected runtime: 70 mins**

**Admission Free.**

Auburn High School is committed to improving our school environment for all our students to enjoy.

This work is entirely funded by the school, with no government assistance. **We need your help!**

Families and businesses are invited to contribute to our Landscaping Masterplan Fund and tax-deductible Building Fund. The generosity of our benefactors is acknowledged with their name added to a gratitude plaque. Every dollar goes toward items such as those listed below.

**To contribute, please refer to Course Confirmations/ Payments on your Compass Parent Portal or contact the office.**

#### Buildings and indoor facilities

- ◇ Re-carpeting program
- ◇ Installation of new blinds in classrooms
- ◇ Air-conditioning upgrades
- ◇ 125 new chairs in VCE Centre and Science Common
- ◇ New Student Leadership, Agency and Voice (SVAL) room
- ◇ New projector in VCE Centre
- ◇ Re-painting
- ◇ Display boards to showcase student work

#### Outdoor areas and landscaping

- Stage 2: Redevelopment of Eastern courtyard (April 2019: Estimated total cost: \$60K)
- ◇ Shade tree and under-planting \$350 each
- ◇ Recycled plastic bench seat \$395 each
- ◇ Small garden bed \$1,200
- ◇ Large garden bed \$5,000
- ◇ Synthetic turf surface
- ◇ Irrigation system
- ◆ Makeover of lower asphalt area with garden beds, basketball rings and seating (+\$60K)

### Completed Projects 2017/18

Stage 1 of our Landscaping Masterplan was completed in the summer of 2018, thanks entirely to the generous contributions of our parent community. Over the past year, we have been able to recarpet 80% of the school building and purchase new tables and chairs for most classrooms throughout the school through contributions to the tax-deductible Building Fund.



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# Homestay Hosts Wanted



## *Local cultural exchange opportunities*

Auburn High School has a growing and well supported International Student Program. Currently, we are inviting families to express their interest in hosting our students who will be arriving in July 2019. Homestay hosts of all language backgrounds welcome!

The ideal hosts will be families who want to support our international students by helping them to improve their English, engage them with our Australian culture and treat them as part of their extended families. Hosting international students can bring a rich cross-cultural experience and opportunity for families. Many local families already on board with Auburn High School Homestay Program, over the years have enjoyed and benefited from the diverse cultural and language exchange experience.

If you have a spare room and are willing to take care of a young international student, please contact the International Office (03) 9804 6320 or email International Student Coordinator [zhang.jinxin.j@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:zhang.jinxin.j@edumail.vic.gov.au) for details of tax-free remuneration and your role as homestay host.

## **Secondhand Uniforms**

Secondhand uniforms are sold every Tuesday lunchtime from 1:15 pm - 1:45 pm. To check availability of stock you may email [2handuniform@auburnhs.vic.edu.au](mailto:2handuniform@auburnhs.vic.edu.au). Please sign in at reception and obtain a visitors' pass.

We are very happy to accept donations of uniforms as money raised will be put back into our school.

## **Uniform Shop**

All uniform purchases are to be made from Dobsons.

Dobsons store is located at:

667 Glenferrie Road  
Hawthorn Victoria 3122

Their opening hours are:

Monday to Friday 8:30am – 5:30pm  
Saturday 8:30am – 5:00pm

Online purchases can be made at:

[http://dobsons.com.au/school\\_uniform.php](http://dobsons.com.au/school_uniform.php)

Use the Login : Auburn High School  
Password: AUB

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# HOMework CENTRE

  
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CALM  
AND  
DO YOUR  
HOMework

Do you need some extra assistance with  
classwork?

A quiet place to do your homework?

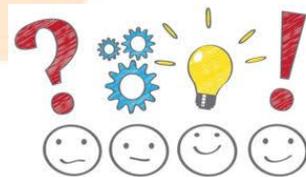
All year levels are encouraged to attend

**EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**



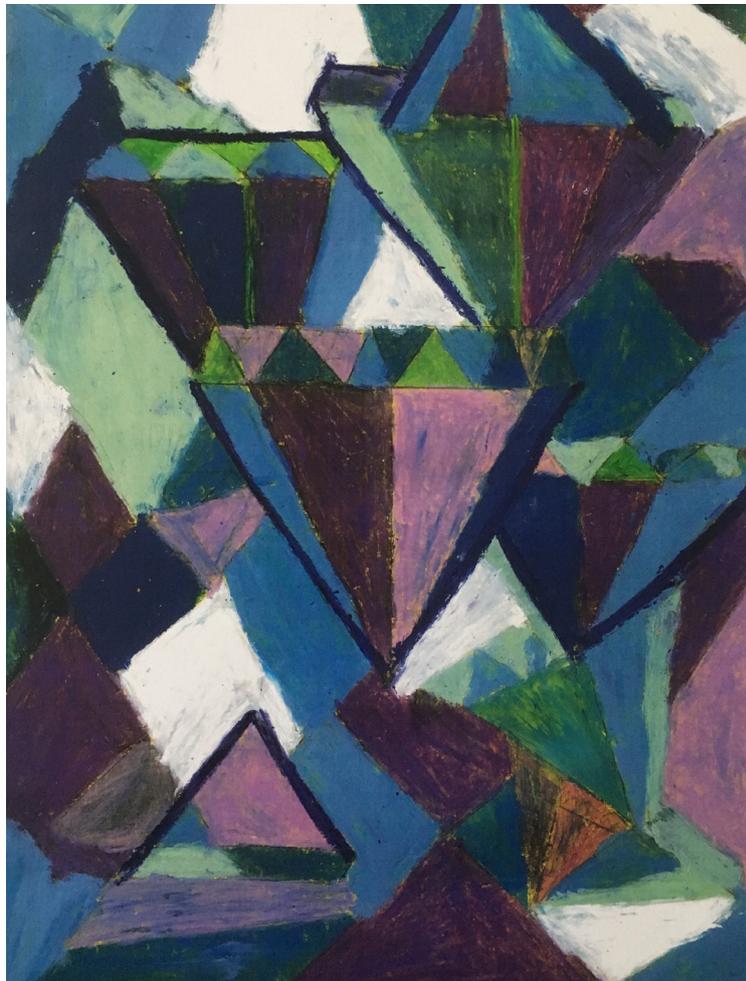
**3:10 – 4:10 pm**

**IN THE LIBRARY**



## Feature Artwork

Anika Jaswal Year 7



# TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS= TECH-FREE



**Can't get enough of the past?**

**History Club**  
Wednesday lunchtimes in F10. Put your name down on the Extra-curricular noticeboard, or just turn up.