

## From the Principal



### *Year 12 student farewell assembly*

Last week we held our whole school assembly to farewell our Year 12 students. Our School Captains Devika Moss and Jacob Silvestrini spoke about how much they enjoyed working with the Student Leadership Team and encouraging students to take up many of the extracurricular opportunities our school offers. They also spoke about how much they value the support all their teachers have given them throughout the year and the great professional relationships that they developed. Sasha Matthews and Monty Linnestad from Year 11 spoke about the great mentoring and modelling our House Captains have shown and how much they enjoyed working with them. Our students clapped and cheered our Year 12s as they walked out of the assembly. In the evening, we had our valedictory presentations at Melbourne University Hawthorn Campus followed by the valedictory dinner in Kew. It was a wonderful evening where parents, staff and students mingled and we all were very proud of the work our students have put in throughout the year. I would like to thank all our Year 12 teachers for their hard work, and in particular, Ella Price and Danni Gibson for their great leadership and support of the VCE sub-school.



## Important Dates

Thu 31 Oct	9F DELF B2 Examination
Sat 2 Nov	VYLC trip
<b>Mon 4 Nov</b>	<b>eLearning Day - No scheduled classes</b>
<b>Tue 5 Nov</b>	<b>Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Day</b>
Wed 6 Nov	UMNoS visit
Mon 11 Nov	Years 7 - 10 PAT Testing (P3 & 4)
Tue 12 Nov	School Council 6:30pm
Mon 18 Nov - Fri 22 Nov	Semaine des Lycee Francaise visitors
Tue 19 Nov	French Language morning tea for prospective families 9:30am
Mon 25 Nov - Fri 29 Nov	Headstart Program current Years 7 - 11
Tue 26 Nov	Ready, Set, Go evening for Year 7 2020 families 6:30pm
Mon 2 Dec - Fri 6 Dec	Headstart Program current Years 7 - 11
Tue 3 Dec	School Council 6:30pm
Fri 6 Dec	Last day for current Year 10 & 11 classes
Mon 9 Dec - Fri 13 Dec	Headstart Program current Years 7 - 9
Mon 9 Dec - Fri 13 Dec	Year 10 Work Experience

## Monash University – Principals' visit and World Teachers' Day

Last week we hosted a large delegation of school principals from the Zhejiang Province in China. The members of the delegation are taking part in a three-week Professional Learning Program with Monash Faculty of Education, focusing on school leadership. Our school was included, as we have hosted delegations in the past, and we are recognised as a high performing school in Melbourne. They were interested to see how strategic school leadership and a strong school culture can transform a school. They visited classrooms and we explained the key strategies we have embedded in our practice, which ensures consistency in our classrooms. Danni Gibson and Mihi De Silva explained our common instructional model, and how teachers collaborate on curriculum program design and common assessment tasks. The visitors were very impressed with our teaching staff and our focus on student learning. Their visit was very timely as on the day we were celebrating World Teachers Day. They joined us for a lovely morning tea where we celebrated and thanked our wonderful teaching staff for their work in supporting and challenging our students.



## Finalists in the 2019 SAE Australia Teachers of Media (ATOM) Student Awards

Congratulations to Ms Ketsakidis and the Year 9 Journalism elective class, who have been shortlisted as finalists in this national competition in the junior secondary category (Years 7-9). The students created *The Watson* newspaper, where they included articles of interest for our school community and in one article interviewed the local member for Hawthorn, John Kennedy MP, regarding the funding we have received.

## Important Dates (continued)

Tue 10 Dec	Orientation Day - No classes for current Year 7s
Thu 12 Dec	FoAHS BBQ 5:30pm
Mon 16 Dec - Fri 20 Dec	Year 7 - 9 Activities Program
Thu 19 Dec	Environmental Program
Fri 20 Dec	End of Term 4 School finishes at 1:15pm

This is a fantastic achievement as only four schools across Australia were shortlisted. The school winners will be announced on the 13<sup>th</sup> November, and we wish our students all the best.

*The Watson* link <http://frontpage.online>

**Maria Karvouni**  
Principal

## 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 visitor's pass.

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

## Uniform Shop

All new uniform purchases 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

# STEM



## Conoco Phillips Science Experience

Over the term three holidays I was able to take part in the Conoco Phillips Science Experience located



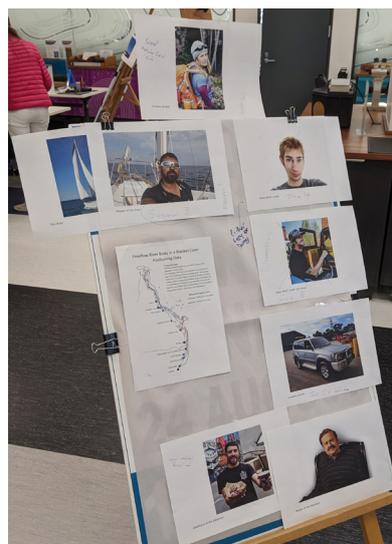
at the Australian National University in Canberra.

This program ran for three days and we

were taken around in groups to explore and use the university's facilities. The experience also featured a few employees from Questacon who taught us about physics with engaging activities.

Due to the university being the largest of its kind centred around physics, most activities focused on physics. Through this we learnt about dark matter, plasma, quantum mechanics and radiation. During this time, as a student interested in forensic science, I was very happy to find out we would try our hand at DNA profiling.

On the final day of the program we visited the labs at ANU and performed a common DNA profiling technique called RFLP. This was my absolute highlight of the experience as it really gave us a taste of what it's like to be a forensic scientist. We tested samples against those found at our fake crime scene to find the culprit.



We also had a go at forensic sedimentology at Geoscience Australia. We were given around nine samples of different dirt and minerals taken from several locations and objects. We were tasked with putting together our own crime board to solve the case of the body hidden along the

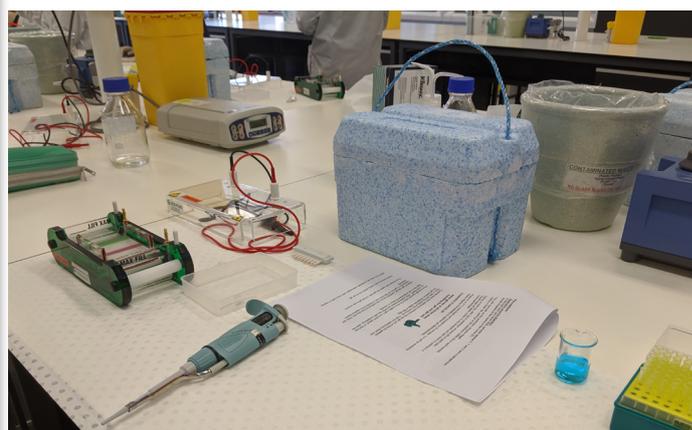
river. To solve this crime, we were given autopsy reports, eye witness testimonies and alibies. Sadly, my group found that it wasn't mysterious camper four who had murdered her husband after he found out about an ongoing affair. Despite our conclusion not coming at all close to truth, it was extremely fun and made me realise that sedimentology is more interesting than it seems.

The whole experience opened my eyes to just how many different pathways there are in science and I returned home having learnt various new theories and processes and having done many things I never thought I would have had the chance to attempt so early on.

The staff and university students who took time out of their day to show us around were incredibly kind and welcoming and the whole program ran smoothly. I would recommend it to anyone who is thinking about doing it next year. Try it out, as I know from experience you won't regret it and you'll come back having a deeper understanding of science and new knowledge to share with your friends.

**Yianna Telas**

**Year 10B**



# SPORT

## Table tennis



The Year 7 Girls' regional table tennis team performed well and had fun playing at the great facilities at Kilsyth Sports Centre!

**Miriam Saward**  
French Teacher



## International Eastern Seaboard Regatta



At the last Optimist dinghy Nationals (January 2019 in Hobart), Hamish Gilsean's (Year 7) and Hugo Vandame's (Year 8) rankings allowed them to qualify for the Australian Optimist Senior Development Squad and to enter the Eastern Seaboard Regatta in



Thailand. Between October 14 and 21, Hamish, Hugo and four teammates trained and raced at the Royal Varuna Yacht Club in Pattaya under the supervision of coach Grant Alderson and Team Manager Xavier Vandame. During a day of racing, the team visited the nearby Ford plant currently building the Ford Rangers. This was very instructive.

Sixty-two young sailors from Thailand, Malaysia and Australia entered the competition including Khun Boonak, best Thai sailor, sixth at the last World Championship in Antigua (for reference, the best Australian finished 16th in Antigua). The young sailors loved sailing in the warm weather but found the sailing conditions particularly challenging: nine races in light breeze (3 to 9 knots) and strong current (1-1.5 knots), especially when sailing against Malaysian and Thai lightweights. They needed lots of patience and resilience to complete each race. Considering these conditions, and with their weight/height, Hugo and Hamish did well finishing respectively 20th and 31st out of 62.

This was Hamish's last regatta in the Optimist dinghy. He is transitioning to a new class called "Laser" and training hard for the Laser Nationals in January at Sandringham Yacht Club. Hugo is back in Antibes (France) where he has been since end of August in a sports school for young athletes in sailing, swimming, basketball and golf. He is in a special class where the school timetable is organised in a way they can train as much as possible during afternoons with dedicated coaches. The program includes racing in France and neighbouring countries.

**Xavier Vandame**  
Parent



# International Students

## Experience Victoria Program

What a great way for our international students and their local “buddies” to celebrate the Spring! The carefully designed Experience Victoria Enhanced Orientation Program involved excursions to Ballarat, Mount Dandenong and Melbourne CBD, followed by an intercultural capability workshop at Melbourne Museum. Across the four-day program, students met local wildlife at the Ballarat Wildlife Park, fed birds at Grant’s Picnic Ground, tasted fruits at Rayner’s Orchard, toured the Melbourne Cricket Ground (including the Sporting Museums) and Chinese Museum, learnt about Australian history and culture, as well as explored Federation University, Monash University and the University of Melbourne. The program offered cultural experience, assisted student acclimatisation and provided an ultimate taste of Victoria. Everyone was thoroughly immersed in the eye-opening and very stimulating outdoor activities and were appreciative of the opportunity to experience more of Australian culture, lifestyle and natural beauty.

**Jean Zhang**

**International Student Coordinator**

## Here is what international and local students said about their experience:

*“The three-day excursion is definitely worthwhile and I have learnt so many new things that I cannot learn from class. I have made local friends and opened up my horizons. I would definitely recommend that it happens again for the new groups of students both international and local.”*

*Le Kieu Diem (Mary) Nguyen 10L*



*“The best thing I liked about the excursion was visiting the Wildlife Park in Ballarat, where I saw and fed real kangaroos for the first time. I also learnt an interesting fact that koalas, on average, spend 20 hours sleeping per day.”*

*Thuy My Pham 10L*



*“Day 2 we had a tour around the MCG. It is huge! I have to admit that I have never watched a cricket match or Australian Rules football before but I have been amazed by Melbournians’ sporting culture. I will do more research!”*

*Thi Ha Quyen (Alex) Cap 10L*

*“Day 3 we toured the campus of University of Melbourne and we had an engineering and robotics workshop there. We tried to control robots using the computer. How exciting!”*



*Xiaoping (Klein) Li 10L*

*“This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. It opens my heart. Now I can see things from an international student’s perspective.”*

*Brendan Lee-10A*

*“It is a great opportunity and I had an amazing experience. I very much enjoyed the excursions. It broadened my horizons.”*

*Ruo Qi Leng-Rouse 10CL*

# French

## When French and Food Technology meet



As part of our unit around food, the Year 9 French intermediate class is exploring food habits in France versus Australia. We discovered that our eating habits have evolved a lot and are more aligned today than forty years ago. Nevertheless, the French eat much more bread, cheese and yoghurt than we do here. If exploring traditional and regional French food, it is good to practise our French comprehension skills and it is also a great opportunity to test the practical part. Fridays have seen the class relocated to the Food Technology room to prepare Quiche Lorraine and the iconic French sandwich, Jambon baguette. Thank you to *Lillette* who supported us with great baguettes for the degustation.

**Genevieve Papon**  
French Teacher



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# Library News

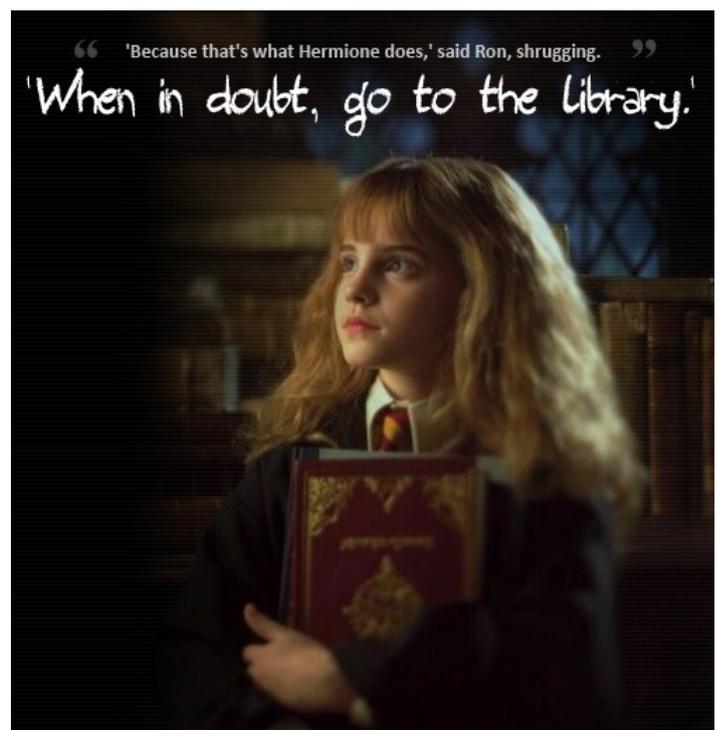
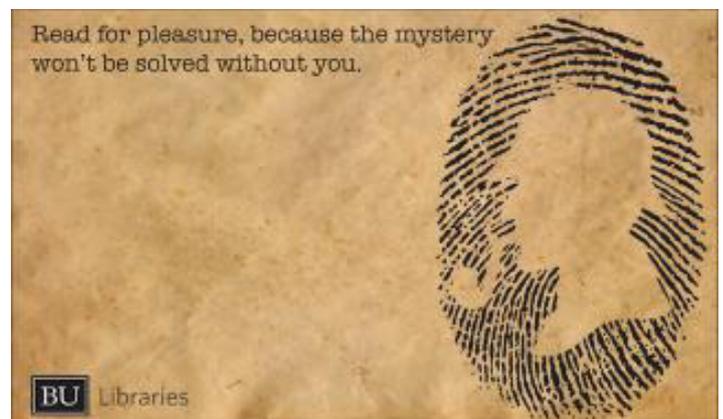
## *Reading for pleasure - why book clubs matter*

Research has found that student's motivation to read and their reading achievements improve when participating in activities that promote reading. Book clubs provide both an opportunity for students to socialise and engage with adult reader role models. Reading for pleasure advances reading skills, increases vocabulary and gives students skills needed for reading for study and learning.

There is a strong link between motivation and achievement so students who are motivated by pleasure to read are more likely to read to learn. In turn, skills and knowledge are increased through reading which leads to increased achievement.

The Written Word Book Club is held during Friday lunchtime from 1.25pm in the library. Everyone is welcome to come along. We do not read a set book but instead talk about books we are reading, why we enjoy or do not enjoy them, our favourite genres and writers and a variety of book-related topics. Last week we played a word game using books, it was loads of fun and a great way to increase vocabulary and comprehension skills.

**Jane Szokolik**  
Library Technician





## Dobsons

### Notice from Dobsons: Uniform sale now on

It's begun, Dobsons annual Buy Early & Save Sale is on NOW! Save on selected uniform items when you shop with Dobsons online or in store from now until the 3rd of November 2019. Beat the back to school rush and save on a range of selected items, including:

- Blazers
- Pullovers
- Summer Dresses
- Summer Shirts
- Bags
- Sportswear

With a pain-free returns policy, now is the time to plan ahead. Whether your child finds a few extra centimetres over the holiday break or not as many as you'd thought, Dobsons Uniform Shop has you covered with free returns and exchanges\*. For further details or to book a professional 20-minute uniform fitting please contact us: 9819 1122

\*Terms & Conditions apply. Sale available online and in-store.



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.



# 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 at the end of January 2020. 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.

## HOMework CENTRE



Do you need some extra assistance with classwork?

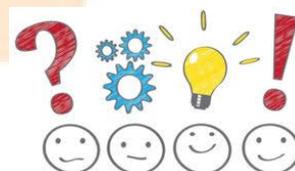
A quiet place to do your homework?

All year levels are encouraged to attend

**EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**

**3:10 – 4:10 pm**

**IN THE LIBRARY**



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Find out more about your student exchange options at WEP's free info session!

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- 🕒 7PM
- 📍 GREYTHORN COMMUNITY HUB  
2 Centre Way

info@wep.org.au 1300 884 733 WEP.ORG.AU

SMS 'EXCHANGE' to 0428 246 633 for a free info pack!

## Feature Artwork

Lara Malachowski  
Year 7F



Greg Jacobs, owner of Stable Base Personal Training and Pilates, kindly volunteers his time to run our Wednesday morning boxing training sessions. These are hugely popular and we are very grateful for his support and leadership of this program.



## Strength and Conditioning Coaching

Personal Training

Studio Pilates

TRX Classes

## Stable Base Personal Training and Pilates

1350B Toorak Rd, Camberwell.

[www.stablebase.com](http://www.stablebase.com)

9041 2850



Starting from week 2 Term 3

# BOXING TRAINING

BOXING FOR FITNESS

**NO SPARRING OR FIGHTING!**

- Wednesday mornings
- 7:30 - 8:15AM
- ECA (gym)
- BYO boxing gloves**

Starting from week 2 Term 3

# YOGA

- Thursdays before school
- 7:45 - 8:25AM
- F6



# AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ACADEMY

PRESENTED BY CHASE BASKETBALL

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST 2020

The Auburn High School Basketball Academy is an integrated sporting program that allows students to include basketball as part of their overall schooling experience.

### ABOUT

The Auburn High School Basketball Academy is available to interested Auburn High School students from year 7-9 in 2020. This fee-for-service based program works in conjunction with the Auburn High School extra-curricular program and allows students to earn points toward their Extra-curricular Sport Badge. The Auburn High School Basketball Academy offers mentoring, health and wellbeing components that ensures a rounded and comprehensive sporting pursuit.

Participation in the academy will be an important feature of a students' academic journey and will develop pathways, healthy lifestyle habits and friendships that last a lifetime.

### DETAILS



3 hours of on court tuition  
35 weeks per year  
(conducted during school term)



\$1540 per annum  
(including academy uniform  
and admin fees)



Uniform  
1 x Reversible Singlet  
1 x Basketball Shorts  
1 x Sports Bag

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## ON-COURT

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Auburn High School Basketball Academy coaches work with athletes to develop a basic skill set that prioritises not only a high basketball IQ but sportsmanship, teamwork, discipline and a strong work ethic.

Time management and a dedication to goal setting and achievement help develop the foundations for future sporting and academic pursuits.

## OFF-COURT

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The Auburn High School Basketball Academy fulfills a number of off-court benefits for athletes, that extend well beyond the basketball court. Involvement in the academy program helps foster a pride in both the school and the community that ultimately leads to greater social responsibility and engagement. Participation develops a discipline and commitment that works on individual resilience, beneficial in sport and in life.

Auburn High School Basketball Academy coaches will promote aspects of leadership, tolerance and humility, which will form the cornerstones for overall student growth and progression.

## TO REGISTER

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If you would like to participate in the 2020 Auburn High School Basketball Academy, please return your completed academy registration form.

Auburn High School and the Academy team will then be in contact with further registration and information details. We look forward to the opportunity of working with you on your basketball game!

## CONTACT US

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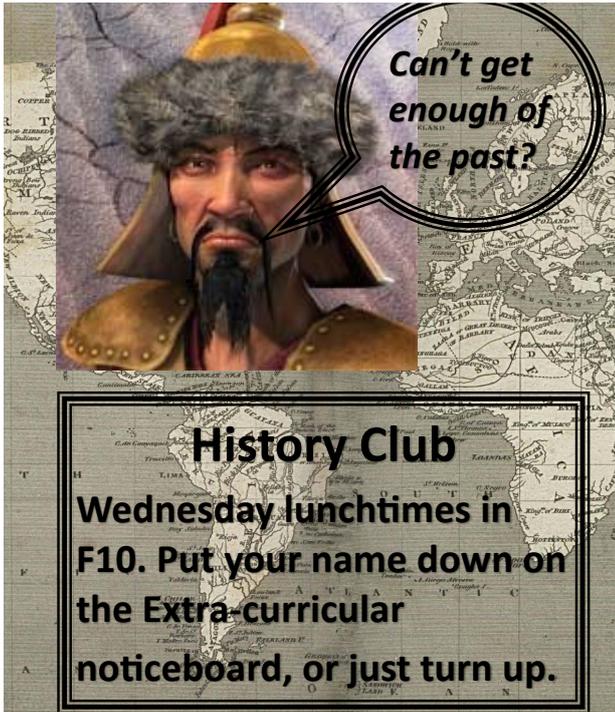
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*Can't get enough of the past?*

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

# 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

# TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS = TECH-FREE



*go for a walk*  
*practice something*  
*make a new friend*  
*have a chat*  
*kick a ball*  
*Join a club*  
*read a book*  
*sit under a tree*

