

## From the Principal



### *Circuit breaker lockdown*

At the time of writing this newsletter report we are still in the five-day circuit breaker lockdown in Victoria. Over the weekend the leadership team, teachers, Year Level and Learning Area Leaders worked on preparing for assemblies and classes in the online environment. On Monday morning, all staff and students attended their respective Year Level assemblies where students were reminded of the protocols for remote learning and the support they can access. This meant that all our classes ran as smoothly as they possibly could with such short notice. As a school during remote learning we run every lesson (albeit shortened) and mark the roll. This enables us to continue with our planned teaching and learning program to keep our students engaged and to continue with established routines. If this lockdown is extended, or if there is another mini lockdown, we are confident we can seamlessly move from onsite to remote learning and minimise disruption to student programs. I would like to thank all the staff at Auburn High School for their professionalism, positivity and commitment to student learning and wellbeing.

### *Swimming Carnival and Year 12 Camp*

I am so pleased that we were able to run our Year 12 camp and hold our annual school swimming carnival last week prior to the lockdown. The Year 12 camp was at Phillip Island and the weather was perfect for the three days. Students and staff had an amazing time and really enjoyed the venue. The swimming sports were held at Prahran Aquatic Centre, where staff and students dressed in their House colours, with great student participation in the events. The House spirit was very strong, and the House Captains did a marvellous job in assisting with the running of the day. It was a lovely atmosphere, with all swimmers who took part in the events, including novelty events, collecting points for their House. A big thank you to Angelina Wong and staff who attended the Year 12 camp and to Ashley Lanfranchi - Sports Coordinator, Ella Price – Leading Teacher Student Engagement, and all staff for their time in assisting with these events.

## Important Dates

Fri 19 Feb	Year 9 Great Melbourne Race
Mon 22-Fri 26 Feb	Year 9 City Project
Tue 2 Mar	Year 9 City Project presentation evening
Wed 3 Mar	Year 7 & 10 vaccinations
<b>Mon 8 Mar</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Fri 12 Mar</b>	<b>eLearning Day - No scheduled classes</b>
Wed 17 Mar	Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences (Webex) 2:15-4:15pm
Fri 19 Mar	Year 7 & 9 Practice NAPLAN test
Tue 23 Mar	School Photos (tentative)
Thu 25 Mar	Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences (Webex) 12-7:30pm
<b>Thu 1 Apr</b>	<b>End of Term 1</b> School finishes at 1:15pm
<b>Fri 2 Apr</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Mon 19 Apr</b>	<b>Term 2 begins</b>
Thu 22 Apr	Information Evening for prospective families
Mon 26-Wed 28 Apr	Year 7 Camp
Sat 8 May	Edutest 11am
Tue 11 May	NAPLAN Reading
Wed 12 May	NAPLAN Writing



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## Important Dates

Thu 13 May	NAPLAN Language Conventions
Fri 14 May	NAPLAN Numeracy
<b>Tue 18 May</b>	<b>Curriculum Day (pupil-free day)</b>
Tue 18-Fri 21 May	Year 9 Camp
<b>Mon 14 Jun</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Fri 25 Jun</b>	<b>End of Term 2</b> School finishes at 1:15pm
<b>Mon 12 Jul</b>	<b>Term 3 begins</b>
Tue 27-Fri 30 Jul	Year 8 Camp
Tue 14 Sep	Year 7 vaccinations
<b>Fri 17 Sep</b>	<b>End of Term 3</b> School finishes at 1:15pm
<b>Mon 4 Oct</b>	<b>Term 4 begins</b>
<b>Tue 2 Nov</b>	<b>Public Holiday</b>
<b>Tue 7 Dec</b>	<b>Orientation Day</b>
<b>Fri 17 Dec</b>	<b>End of Term 4</b> School finishes at 1:15pm

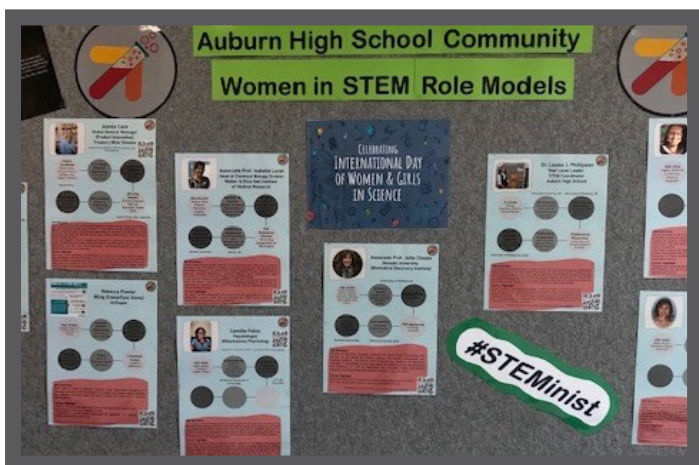






### **'Meet the Teacher' parent sessions**

Our virtual Year 7-12 'Meet the Teacher' parent information evening held last week, was very well attended. Each year level's information sessions were specifically targeted to the needs of the year levels involved, and there were great questions asked and information shared. Some parents emailed to say they really liked the flexibility of the remote session as it made it easier for them to attend and be present for family commitments at home. Thank you to all families and staff for your participation on the evening.



### **Women in STEM**

How wonderful to see our staff and parents who contributed to the women in STEM day with their biographies. Women are underrepresented in this field and to have such positive and high performing role models in our community is encouraging for our girls to pursue careers in STEM. Thank you to Dr Louisa Phillipson, who is our STEM coordinator for organising the event and for being a great ambassador for women in STEM.

### **School Council Elections 2021**

I would like to thank all members of School Council for their work over the past year, and in particular our School Council President, Sue Haralambopoulos. I am calling for nominations for the 2021 School Council for Auburn High School, and the entire

process will be completed before the March school council meeting held 16 March.

Schedule 1 from the Education Department states that the composition of the Auburn High School Council be as follows:

Total members: 11

Parent members: 6

Students: 2

DET employees: 3

This week you should receive the notice of election and call for nominations for School Council. There are **three parent member** positions that are available for two years nomination. The closing date for nominations is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 4pm. I encourage parents to consider nominating for a position on our school council.

**Maria Karvouni**

**School Principal**

### **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

### **Secondhand Uniforms**

Secondhand uniforms are sold Monday after school 3:00 pm - 3:45pm and Thursday 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). Students only.

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

# From the Assistant Principal



## *Building update*

There is lots going on around the building and grounds at the moment, with our new classrooms nearing completion, landscaping work starting along Burgess Street and around the sporting pavilion, and boxing out beds for the planting of 20 new trees in the student entry courtyard.

Restrictions permitting, next week we hope to see scaffolding go up in the Lecture Theatre for further mechanical works associated with the roof and ductwork, and a new coat of paint as the next step in the Lecture Theatre upgrade.



helping to keep our school community safe and healthy, and ensuring a clean face mask is worn to school every day.

## *Remote learning*

I would like to add my own congratulations to our students and staff, who did a fantastic job in transitioning to the circuit-breaker lockdown and brief period of remote learning. It was really great to see our school DARE values in action as students demonstrated aspiration through motivated participation in their online learning.

**Kristie Satilmis**

**Assistant Principal**



## *Instrumental Music*

The Instrumental Music Program is pleased to welcome a new vocal instructor, Kylie Wagenvoort. The number of students taking instrumental music lessons at school is steadily increasing, and new enrolments are welcome! Keep an eye out for an invitation to take part in free 'come and try' sessions in various instruments from voice and keys to brass and guitar in the weeks ahead.

## *Wearing masks at school*

Families are reminded that in line with current Covid-19 guidelines, all students are required to wear a face mask whilst at school, as well as to and from school. Whilst we do have a very limited number of spare masks available at reception, students are expected to bring their own mask from home each day. We would appreciate families taking a moment to remind students of this important measure in



## **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)



# STEM



## Meet a scientist - hosted by the Royal Women's Hospital



In honour of International Day of Women and Girls in Science on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February, a group of female students in Years 9 -11 attended 'Meet a Scientist 2021' hosted by the Royal Women's Hospital. In this event, students heard from female role models working in different areas of STEM, focusing on science, nursing, midwifery and research.

Students heard from Dr. Ellen Menkhorst, a reproductive Biologist and Research fellow whose research focuses on understanding how a healthy placenta forms during early pregnancy and developing new treatments to improve placental function in women at risk of developing preeclampsia; Pamela McCalman, a registered midwife and researcher and proud aboriginal woman who works on *the Woman's Journey - Baggarrook Yurrongi & Nuraagh Manma Buliana* project to improve the health of Aboriginal mothers and babies through continuity of midwife care; Dr Amanda Kwong, a Paediatric Physiotherapist and postdoctoral researcher whose research interests are concerned with early detection and intervention for infants who are at high risk of cerebral palsy and/or movement difficulties, and Dr Elizabeth Baker who works in neonatal care and is working on a novel study using cell therapy to help vulnerable preterm babies breathe more easily.

The speakers shared tips about VCE choices and their pathways, about resilience and taking your time to decide about careers, utilising contacts, asking questions and for help.

Students also discussed with each other VCE pathways and work experience opportunities to help them with their decision making about their future careers.

**Dr. Louisa Phillipson**  
**STEM Coordinator**





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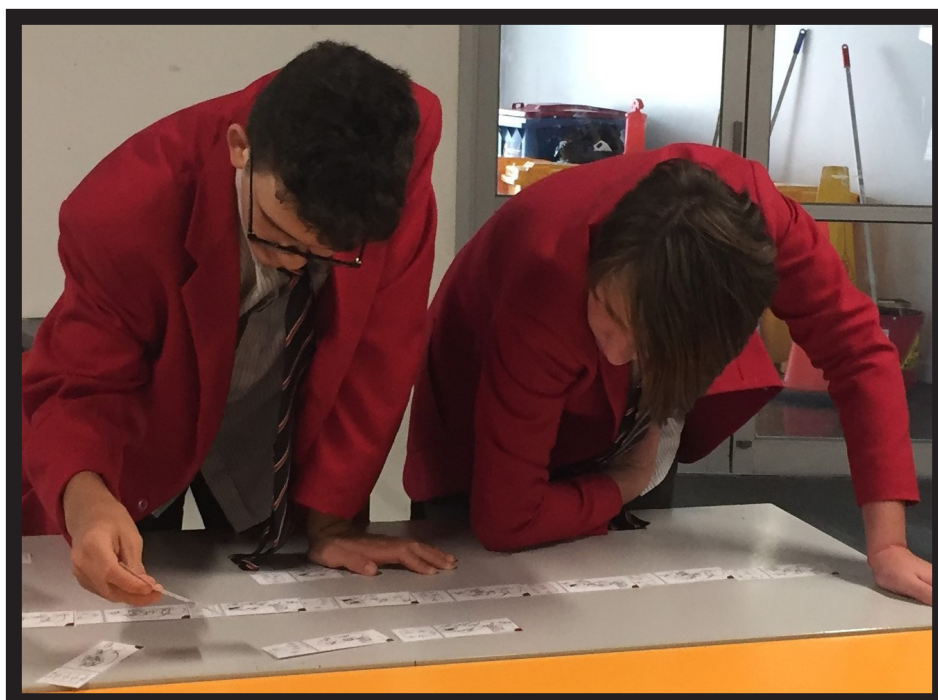
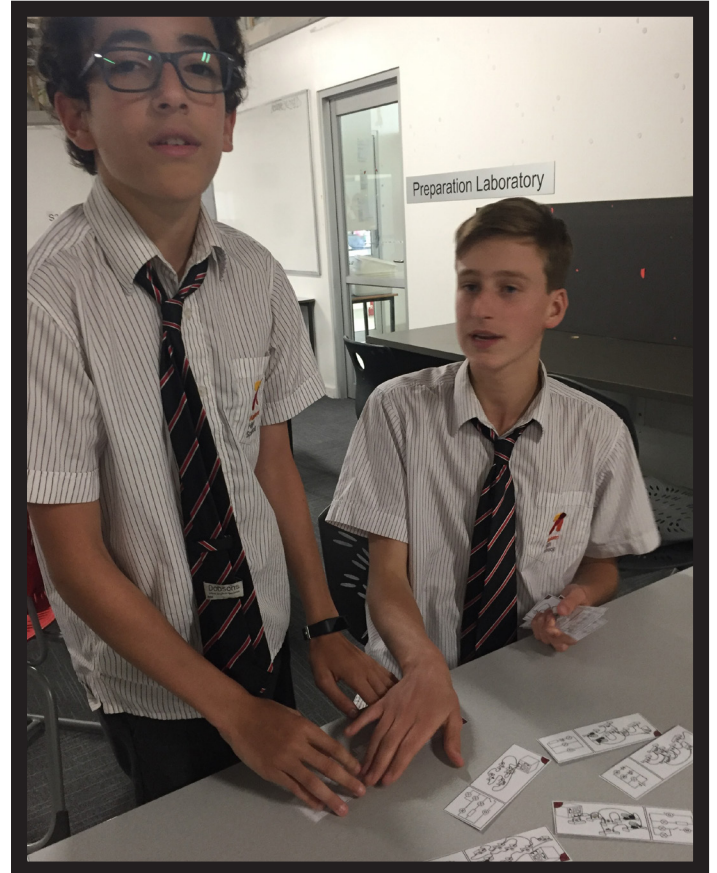
# French Binational

## 2021

Once again, we come to a very exciting time for a school, when we get to meet many new students, reconnect with our past students after the summer break and embark on new learning with them. 2021 is promising, with our biggest quota of students ever enrolled in either the French Binational or the French Partial Immersion programs. Along with the general students, they form a cohort of more than 400 French learners at AHS, so with our expanding team of French Binational / French teachers or teachers speaking French, you can be pretty sure to be hearing conversations held in French at any time which is very exciting and uplifting! Stay tuned as our first events will come soon with Francophonie Week, the Kangourous des Maths contest and the French Film Festival later in March.

From a pedagogical perspective, the momentum was right from the beginning from recap of Headstart learning to starting the Brevet preparation with our enthusiastic new Year 9 cohort! Also, by moving us online, COVID and travel ban restrictions have opened new opportunities to collaborate within the AEFÉ Asia Pacific Network. The AEFÉ (Agency for French Education Abroad) which we are part of as a French Accredited school, employs a pool of 'expert' teachers able to locally support all the local partner schools. Our focus this year is on Science Physique, Maths and Humanities, with dedicated time set aside for us and the first mission in Science already well underway. Of course, 2021 is sure to again test our adaptability and resilience, but we are confident that we have a great year of learning ahead.

- Penne Carbonara
- Vegetarian Noodles
- Butter Chicken with Rice
- Penne Bolognese
- Scallop Potatoes
- Fried Rice



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# Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid Health Care Card with Centrelink, you may be eligible for CSEF.

Please complete the attached form and return to the Office: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/csefapplicationform.pdf>.

We will need to copy your Health Care Card, so please bring it with you.

Further information is available from the following website: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef).

If you applied for the CSEF at AHS in 2020, you do not need to complete an application form for 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

Applications close 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

**Joanne Hayes**  
**Business Manager**



# AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ACADEMY

PRESENTED BY CHASE BASKETBALL

## ABOUT

Auburn High School in collaboration with Chase Basketball are excited to announce the 2021 launch of the Auburn High School Basketball Academy.

The Auburn High School Basketball Academy is available to interested Auburn High School students from Year 7-12 in 2021. 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 pursuits. Participation in the academy will be an important feature of a student's academic journey and will develop pathways, healthy lifestyle habits and friendships that last a lifetime.

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

### Annual Fee:

\$1560 (includes tuition, kit and admin. fees)

\$1470 for returning enrolments

### For more information:

Email [janet@chasebasketball.com.au](mailto:janet@chasebasketball.com.au) or contact the school office staff

If you would like to participate in the 2021 Auburn High School Basketball Academy, please return your completed academy registration form. Ask at the office for more info.

We look forward to working with you on your basketball game!





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# Homestay Hosts Wanted



## *Local cultural exchange opportunities*

Auburn High School has a growing and well supported International Student Program. 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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## Second-hand Textbook Trading

Parents have the ability to trade second-hand items such as textbooks via the Sustainable School Shop website.

[www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

The link is also accessible via Favourites on Compass. Results from other schools have been excellent - families have enjoyed a very comprehensive and convenient method of buying and selling second-hand items.

The new service is very accessible, it preferences our school first and then provides access to buy and sell items with families attending other schools - many schools use this service so this provides a good range. Access to second-hand textbooks, calculators, stationery, musical equipment, etc is available all year.

- The service does not include uniform. We have an on-site second-hand uniform shop here at school.

For the best results:

- Register on the Sustainable School Shop website
- List your items for sale
- List wanted ads for those items you are looking to buy
- The school's booklists are loaded into the system to make listing ads easy
- The system matches the ads of buyers with sellers and notifies the buyer via email
- Buyers contact sellers and arrange where and when to trade
- Most trading will occur with other parents from our school
- Parents are well supported via Sustainable School Shop's telephone (0438 743 444) and email help lines
- The system is simple and easy to use - If you don't have a computer, internet access or an email address, please call the Sustainable School Shop for assistance
- **You can pre-arrange the transaction and then trade after the texts are not required.**

Families are offered three levels of access:

- Search only - registering/logging-in on the Sustainable School Shop, searching all the 'for sale' ads and gaining the sellers' contact details is free.
- Single items cost \$1.50 to be advertised
- Subscription - an annual subscription costs \$21.95 and is the most anyone will pay. These are taken by families who have many items to advertise.

We hope you will make the most of this opportunity and gain the benefit from recycling your student's school items whilst helping another family within our school community.

Of course, donations of second-hand items such as textbooks, uniform items and (school) laptops are always welcome. Just drop these in at the office, with our thanks.



## Buy and Sell

### Second-hand **Textbooks**



#### Simply

- Register on the Sustainable School Shop website  
- [www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

#### Second-hand textbook trading system

- List Wanted & For Sale Ads (Browsers tell each other what they require and what they have to sell).
- The school's booklists are loaded into the system to make the Ad listing process easy, fast and accurate.
- Our Ad Matching service shows you
  - Exactly the right items to buy
  - Who has the most items you need
  - The cheapest items
- Assistance is provided to accurately price items.
- Buyers contact Sellers, and arrange where and when to transact.
- Excellent email and telephone helplines are provided:  
0438 743 444

#### Cost

- Browse and search the for sale ads for free
- Single items can be advertised for \$1.50
- Annual subscriptions \$21.95 (includes Ad Matching)

#### Also Buy & Sell

- Calculators
- Sporting items
- Musical items
- Electronics & DVD's
- Stationery

#### Pricing Guide

- |             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| • Like New  | 70% |
| • Excellent | 60% |
| • Very Good | 50% |
| • Good      | 40% |

[www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)

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### Helpful tips

- Be patient. Many new items are listed each day
- Listing Wanted and For Sale Ads gets results
- Our unique Ad Matching Service shows you who to transact with, and will save you lots of time
- Be realistic when pricing items
- Telephoning sellers provides a quicker response as many people do not regularly check their emails
- Pre-arrange who to transact with if your items are still being used and write the availability date in your Ad
- Respect other browsers and remember to delist your ad promptly when no longer needed
- Parents/guardians (rather than students) should meet somewhere convenient to transact, don't make special trips and just fit it in to your normal activities

# Canteen Menu

## Auburn High School

Please tell our friendly staff if you have any dietary requirements

Place Lunch Orders in by recess

### **Fresh Wraps & Sandwiches**

Range between \$4.50 – \$6.50

Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo  
Salad  
Egg & Lettuce  
Ham, Cheese & Tomato  
Ham & Salad  
Chicken, Avocado & Cheese  
Ham & Cheese

### **Fresh Fruit**

Fresh Fruit in Season \$1.00  
Fresh Fruit Salad \$4.00  
Muesli Cup with Yoghurt \$3.00

### **Muffins & Slices**

Muffins \$4.00  
Slices \$3.50  
Banana Bread Slice \$3.00

### **Ice Creams & Icy Poles**

Calippos sml \$1.50 lge \$2.50  
Paddle Pop Shaky Shake \$3.50  
Icy Twist \$1.50  
Streets Vanilla Cup \$1.50  
Frozen Apple Cup \$1.00  
Zoooper Dooper \$1.00

### **Drinks**

Up & Go \$2.50  
Daily Orange Juice \$4.00  
Mineral Water \$4.00  
Mount Franklin Water \$3.00  
Big M sml \$2.50 lge \$4.00

### **Hot Finger Food**

Steamed Dims Sims \$1.00  
Spring Rolls \$0.50  
Nuggets \$0.50  
Hash Brown \$1.50  
Chicken Tenders \$1.50  
Corn Jacks \$2.00  
Pastizzis \$2.00  
Homemade Sausage Rolls \$2.00  
Pizza Subs \$4.00  
Wedges \$4.00  
Nachos \$4.00

### **Hot Food**

Egg, Bacon & Hashbrown Wraps \$4.50  
Sweet Chilli Chicken Tenders Wraps \$4.50  
Chicken Burger \$5.00  
Jacket Potatoes \$6.00  
Chicken Parma Roll \$6.00  
Hamburger \$6.00  
Veggie Burgers \$5.00

### **Meals**

Fish & Wedges \$6.00  
Daily Hot Meal Options \$6.00  
- Penne Carbonara  
- Vegetarian Noodles  
- Butter Chicken with Rice  
- Penne Bolognese  
- Scallop Potatoes  
- Fried Rice  
- Beef Lasagne  
- Tandoori Chicken with Rice

