

From the Principal

COVID-19



The last few weeks have been challenging for schools and our community as the COVID-19 pandemic is evolving worldwide. It is natural to feel stressed when scenes of concern are constantly on the news and social media, and supermarket shelves are emptying. I understand that everyone is a little more stressed

at the moment. In schools and in our lives, we need to remain calm and behave responsibly, as we set the example for children on how to cope in these situations.

We are unsure of when schools may be closing as the health experts are the ones who will determine the best timing of this decision. I am reassuring families that at Auburn High School we are being proactive and taking measures to prepare for likely school closures. This week all teachers attended a session on how to set up for video conferencing so we can have online classrooms in Microsoft Teams and we successfully trialled this. Our priority is to maintain continuity in student learning as best as we can. We have also asked our cleaners to work extra hours and disinfect high-touch surfaces at school, such as handrails and tables and restock soap dispensers and paper towelling every evening. As per my newsfeeds, students and staff should not be coming to school if they are feeling unwell.

Thank you to our staff and parent community for your regular feedback and communication during this challenging time. With transparency and regular communication we are helping ourselves and others around us.



Important Dates

Fri 20 Mar	Harmony Day
Mon 23 Mar	Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN Practice Test
Fri 27 Mar	End of Term 1 School finishes at 1:15pm
Tue 14 Apr	Term 2 begins
Thu 16 Apr *Revised date	Information evening for prospective 2021 parents 5pm POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
Fri 17 Apr	NAPLAN Omnibus Practice Test
Sat 9 May	Edutest 2021 SEAL Entrance Examination
Tue 12-Fri 15 May	NAPLAN
Tue 12 May	School Council & AGM 6:30pm
Sat 16 May	FBN & FAP 2021 Entrance Examinations
Tue 26 May	Division Cross Country
Mon 8 Jun	Public Holiday
Tue 9 Jun	FBN Oral Exam
Fri 12 Jun	Assessment & Feedback Day No classes for students



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Teaching E4L with year 8C

One of my enjoyments at school is visiting classrooms and seeing the learning that is happening so when Louisa Phillipson asked if I would like to teach an Education 4 Life (E4L) class with her I jumped at this offer. We ran a session with Year 8C on how to build friendships and the types of interactions and relationships that build strong friendships. Students worked in groups discussing scenarios and answering questions such as 'How do we connect more positively with one another?' and, 'Being funny is another great way to connect. How can this go wrong though?' It was great to hear the thoughtful responses that students came up with and they modelled what positive interactions look like. Education 4 Life is such an important subject in our school as it explicitly teaches our students personal, social and cognitive skills to develop them as better citizens.



Professional Learning Communities (PLC)

Last week I attended the Inner East secondary schools PLC training sessions. PLC's are an approach to school improvement where groups of teachers work collaboratively at the school level to improve student outcomes. It was great sharing practices with other secondary schools about the approach they are taking in implementing these teams. We will be addressing two key improvement strategies from our new School Strategic Plan and Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) through our PLC work. These are:

- Build staff capacity to implement a school-wide approach to student writing at all year levels and in all learning areas,
- Develop and embed a consistent approach, through Professional Learning Communities, where teachers use assessment to inform and differentiate teaching practice and student learning.

Important Dates

Mon 15 Jun	FBN Conseil de classe
Fri 26 Jun	CSEF applications close today
Fri 26 Jun	End of Term 2 School finishes at 1:15pm
Mon 13 Jul	Term 3 begins
Thu 23 July	Curriculum Day - Instructional Practices (pupil-free day)
Tue 11 Aug	Curriculum Day - Instructional Practices (pupil-free day)
Mon 24 Aug	eLearning Day - No scheduled classes
Thu 27 Aug	Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences Students required to attend conferences No classes for students
Fri 18 Sep	End of Term 3 School finishes at 1:15pm
Mon 5 Oct	Term 4 begins
Mon 2 Nov	eLearning Day - No scheduled classes

This is exciting work that we feel will further improve the learning growth of our students.

School Council Elections 2020

Congratulations to all members who were elected to Auburn High School's School Council. Our newly elected members are for two years:

DET category: Kristie Satilmis

Student category: Rumaisa Mizra

Parent category: Sue Haralambopoulos, Justin Naylor and Joanna Giacomazzi.

I am looking forward to working with you all for the next two years to further develop our commitment in making Auburn High School a government school of first choice in the area. Our new School Strategic Plan and Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) and the goals and strategies set in these documents, will guide the work we will be doing. Thank you to Jo Hayes – Business Manager and Renee Jankus – Finance Officer for all their work in coordinating the elections.

Maria Karvouni

Principal

Information Night for Prospective Families for 2021

Prospective Year 7 2020 families are warmly invited to explore our school and find out more about the teaching and learning opportunities and programs at AHS. There will be Learning Area displays and interactive activities and Staff and Student Leaders will be on hand to answer any questions you or your child may have. Collect a "Passport" as you sign in at Reception to help guide you on your journey around the various Learning Area destinations.

Our Principal, Maria Karvouni will then present her Principal's Address in the VCE Study Centre in two sittings:

Surnames A-K 5pm Discovery Tour & 5:30pm Principal's Address

Surnames L-Z 6pm Discovery Tour & 6:30pm Principal's Address



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



From the Assistant Principal



Wow, what a term!

- A new school for many of our students and twelve of our expert staff members.
 - The start of the final year of secondary schooling for our Year 12s.
 - Many new challenges for student leaders and staff that have taken on role changes.
- Victoria coping with first drought, then bushfires, then flooding, and now COVID-19.

Each new year presents the chance for adventure, new experiences, personal growth, new social connections and a chance to be curious of what is ahead. What a whirlwind we have had so far.

In turbulent times there is security and safety in structure, routine and people you can trust. This is my first term at Auburn High School and I would like to acknowledge the hard work, professionalism and commitment that has contributed to a fantastic school environment. Students, parents and staff have been very active in setting up Auburn HS as a quality institution. My main observations this term:

The school is full of happy students. There is a good energy around the school. Students feel safe and they smile a lot.

Lots of learning takes place. Staff are professional and constantly innovating with ideas that will bring the best out of students and staff teams. The established teaching practices across all classes focus students and allow for high quality learning and application.

The DARE values are at work. These values are not just spoken about, they are in action every day. Student leaders drive a positive culture and staff respond by taking student feedback on board.

This term I assisted in welcoming new student leaders to their positions. It gives me great pleasure and confidence in our future when I see young people taking on responsibility. The student leaders, under the guidance of staff mentors, have already embraced their roles. Examples are: motivating fellow House members at sport, providing student voice via teaching surveys, running lunchtime seminars across a range of topics and role modelling DARE values

around the school. Keep up the good work.

Finally, many thanks for the warm welcome I have received from the school community. I am so pleased to be part of a quality staff team who are providing a great program to a brilliant group of young people.

Ross Pritchard

Assistant 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. 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

Use the Login : Auburn High School
Password: AUB

Welcome to new AHS staff

Hanna Brearley

Daily Organiser

I started at AHS at the end of Term 4 2019 and have been welcomed with open arms. As someone who loves to organise anything I can get my hands on, those close to me say I have found my dream job as 'Daily Organiser'. Outside of work, you will find me busy working on our newly purchased home - especially in the garden! I enjoy cooking and am always keen to hear of great vegan restaurants. I love nothing more than getting away and will go camping whenever I have a free weekend.



Bronwyn Salton

French Teacher



Bonjour! I was in love with French even before I started learning it! And it's that same passion that I hope to inspire in those that I teach. I travel back to France four times a year and have taught in French schools in both Lyon and Montpellier as well as here in Australia. For the past three years, I've been translating the novels of Wilhelm Genazino into English, and in idle moments, I mooch around galleries and work on my Korean skills.

Renee Jankus

Finance Officer/Hire

I started at Auburn High School casually in June last year and was very excited when I was offered the role full time as I had only started working in schools last year. I have previously been a swimming teacher, bank worker and retail assistant. My hobbies are primarily watching Harry Potter and second to this, catching up with friends and playing with my dogs.



Sustainability Club

JOIN US!

Dear Students,

Sustainability Club is being held every Tuesday in F10, and we would love to welcome some new members to our 'Green Team'. We are running bin counts across the whole school in preparation for a potential new waste initiative and are planning to have a discussion with the canteen staff regarding use of plastic tubs and cutlery, and how we can be more ecologically aware. We think AHS could be a very environmental school but at the moment we need to do a lot more for that to happen. We need your ideas too. Come and join and tell us what eco-friendly initiatives you would like to see at AHS.

Xavier Moar 7A



Feature Artwork

Steven Miltsos
Year 10A



Protect yourself and your family

Wash your hands regularly



1

Wet your hands.

Put soap on
your hands.

2



3

Rub the soap over all
parts of your hands for
at least 20 seconds.



Rinse your
hands under
running water.

4



5

Dry your hands thoroughly
with disposable paper towel
or hand dryer.



Stay germ free and healthy

Protect yourself and your family

Cover your cough and sneeze



1

COVER your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Put your used tissue in the rubbish **BIN**.



2



3

If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, **NOT YOUR HANDS**.

WASH your hands with soap and running water. Dry your hands thoroughly with a disposable paper towel or hand dryer.



4

Stay germ free and healthy

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 June 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 jinxin.zhang@education.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?

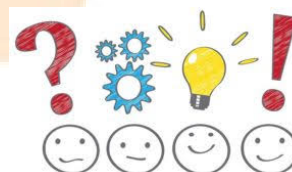
All year levels are encouraged to attend

EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON



3:10 – 4:10 pm

IN THE LIBRARY



The Boroondara Farmers' Market



Every third and fifth Saturday
of the month, 8:00am - 12:30pm

*Join real farmers and gourmet producers selling
the best quality Victorian produce.*

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January 18	May 16 & 30	September 19
February 15 & 29	June 20	October 17 & 31
March 21	July 18	November 21
April 18	August 15 & 29	December 19



In association with:



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

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

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)

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Pricing Guide

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

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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

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.

If you applied for the CSEF at AHS in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form for 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

Applications close 26th June, 2020.

Joanne Hayes
Business Manager



The poster is divided into two main sections. The left section features a photograph of four young women standing in front of a large, ornate fountain. Overlaid on this image is a pink speech bubble with white text and a small Italian flag. The right section has a blue background with a collage of students. It features the title 'WEP STUDENT EXCHANGE' in large white letters, a list of benefits under the heading 'AT A GLANCE:', and a quote from a student in Canada next to a red silhouette of a kangaroo.

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6pm to 9pm



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