

# The Arrow

# From the Principal



### Year 9 City project

Our Year 9 students spent last week off campus, taking part in the annual City Project. We were so relieved to have all restrictions lifted so we could go ahead with this great Year 9 experience. The aim of the City Project is to develop students' independence, interpersonal and group skills by immersing them in research in a

challenging and real world environment. Students were involved in the Great Melbourne Race and worked in groups to answer a key question they wished to explore during their city experience. The themes included "Is Melbourne a judgemental city?", "Addiction is a mental health issue", "Melbourne encourages healthy lifestyle choices", "The City of Melbourne is taking environmental sustainability seriously" and other social issues. On Tuesday evening, Year 9 students made virtual presentations to families, Year 9 English and Humanities teachers and their peers. We saw a video with highlights of the week followed by student presentations in their teams. I was very impressed with the final presentations, where students talked about what they had learnt about themselves and working in teams. They explained how their experience changed some of the beliefs they held prior to the City Project and their broadened understanding about the complexity of social issues in our community. Thank you to staff who participated in the project and a big thank you to Samantha Francis for organising and coordinating the entire program. Staff commented on how well behaved and what great ambassadors our students have been throughout the City project week.



### **Important Dates**

Mon 8 Mar	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 12 Mar	eLearning Day - No scheduled classes
Wed 17 Mar	Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences (Webex) 2:15- 4:15pm
Mon 22 Mar	Year 7 & 9 Practice NAPLAN test NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
Tue 23 Mar	School Photos
Thu 25 Mar	Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences (Webex) 12-7:30pm
Tue 30 Mar	Brevet Blanc 9FBN
Thu 1 Apr	End of Term 1 School finishes at 1:15pm
Fri 2 Apr	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Mon 19 Apr	Term 2 begins
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
Tue 11 May Wed 12 May	NAPLAN Reading NAPLAN Writing
Wed 12 May	NAPLAN Writing
Wed 12 May Thu 13 May	NAPLAN Writing NAPLAN Language Conventions

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### Whole school assembly

We have held two whole school assemblies so far this year, welcoming all our new students and staff , and announcing our school House Captains. Our School Captains, Adele Papon and Ella Howarth-Carpenter, have led the assemblies admirably and all Senior, Middle and Junior House Captains have been appointed and given their badges. Student leaders representing each of our four houses (Winton, Murdoch, Freeman and Hollows) spoke about the prominent Australians who give the Houses their names, and of their achievements. Students were encouraged to take part in our school's extracurricular program and to try something out of their comfort zone. They heard how participation contributes to attaining a badge in the areas of Philanthropy, STEM, Sports, Arts and Communication. It's great that our staff offer so many extracurricular opportunities for our students and the uptake we have seen.

### Lunar New Year

Last week we celebrated the Lunar New Year with our international students. Many of our international students have not seen their families in over a year, due to COVID, and we wanted to celebrate this significant event with them. This year is the Year of the Ox which represents strength, a quality our students have demonstrated. Sally (Vietnam), Kaomean (Cambodia) and Erica (China), presented on how their families celebrate the Lunar New Year in their home countries, and the importance of the family reunion dinner, and providing gifts. This was followed by a traditional tea ceremony performed by Erica. We gave every student a red pocket with a little gift which symbolises sending of good wishes for the year. Thank you to Jean Zhang - International Students Coordinator and Ros Mills - Language Centre Coordinator, for organising the celebrations, lovely lunch and Lunar-New-Year-themed cupcakes.



### VCE Season of Excellence - Top Class Dance congratulations

Congratulations to Ruby Hanna Year 12 in being selected for the Top Class 2021 Performers. Top Class presents concerts by outstanding VCE students who have completed one of the performing Arts subjects.

Hanna has been selected for her outstanding performance in her 2020 VCE Dance in Ballet.

### **Important Dates**

Tue 9 Jun	GAT - Unit 3 students
Mon 14 Jun	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 25 Jun	End of Term 2 School finishes at 1:15pm
Mon 12 Jul	Term 3 begins
Tue 27-Fri 30 Jul	Year 8 Camp
Mon 6-Fri 10 Sep	School Production Week (tentative)
Tue 14 Sep	Year 7 vaccinations
Fri 17 Sep	End of Term 3 School finishes at 1:15pm
Mon 4 Oct	Term 4 begins
Mon 1 Nov	eLearning Day - No scheduled classes
Tue 2 Nov	Public Holiday
Tue 7 Dec	Orientation Day
Fri 17 Dec	End of Term 4 School finishes at 1:15pm

Hanna will be performing her 2020 Ballet Dance solo as part of the VCE Season of Excellence in March at the Melbourne Recital Centre. This is an outstanding achievement from Ruby as she has been recognized as one of the top VCE students in Dance in the state of Victoria. I commend Ruby on achieving excellence in Dance and for displaying commitment, perseverance and willingness to improve since Year 7.



### School Council Elections 2021

As there were more nominations received than vacancies for parent and student positions on School Council, we are now proceeding with elections. Please ensure that you vote in these elections and follow the election process that has been communicated via Compass.

Maria Karvouni School Principal

# Professional Practice Days 2021 eLearning day Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Our first eLearning day for 2021 is on Friday 12th March. This is a Professional Practice (PP) Day for teachers who are entitled to have 1 day per term, released from classes, so they can focus on the improved delivery of highquality teaching and learning. This is a Departmental initiative introduced in 2018, to ensure that teachers have time for to assess, plan units of work, develop CATs/SACs, moderate and/or collaborate if they require. Our school Consultative Committee has proposed for the last three years, that we run our professional practice days as eLearning days in Terms 1, 3 and 4, which school council has endorsed every year. In Term 2 we allocate a day during the mid-year exams for Learning Areas as their eLearning day. We have chosen this approach as it minimises the disruption to our learning programs as there are no scheduled classes running and students access learning via Compass. There is no direct teaching occurring on eLearning days and students work from home on tasks teachers have set for their classes on Compass. This day can also be used by students to catch up on other work and revise.



### **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 <u>2handuniform@auburnhs.vic.edu.au</u>. Students only.

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

# **French Binational**

### Observation of bacterial growth

As part of their unit on Microbiology and the Immune System, the Year 9 Binational students took swabs from different surfaces in their school environment to inoculate petri dishes. In doing so they practised techniques to maintain an aseptic environment and will be able to determine which surface is the least contaminated. Let's see if the results match our hypothesis between laptop keyboard, water bottle, door handle, stairway rail, to name a few of the surfaces tested.

### Something to consider...

Kicking off this week for a month is the French Film Festival, back after the shortened 2020 edition. Once again, the wide selection of new French films is amazing and confirms its status as a world-first French film festival outside France! With several Australian premieres, and films from comedy to drama, everyone should be able to find the right match for a different experience of French language.

Check the full program online at:

### https://www.affrenchfilmfestival.org/ melbourne

or come and grab a booklet at the front desk. **Genevieve Papon** 

French Binational Coordinator & Science Teacher







# **International Students**

### Celebrating Lunar New Year at Auburn High School

Lunar New Year celebrates the first new moon of the Lunar Calendar and ends two-weeks later with the first full moon of the New Year. 2021 is the Year of the Ox, one of the 12 Asian Astrology signs, believed to represent strength.

It is important for our International Students to share this special time together during the festive season while they are away from family. Three Year 11 students, Sally Bui, Erica Jin, and Kaomean Heng spoke about what Lunar New Year means to them and how they celebrate Lunar New Year in their home country. Wearing traditional costume, Erica performed a tea ceremony which is called the Taste of Spring.

Ms Karvouni wished all the students a happy New Year and congratulated them on getting through a very difficult time without their family. She also praised the success of the 2020 VCE International cohort. Ms Karvouni presented every student with a red pocket (giving red pockets is a way of sending good wishes and luck during the Lunar New Year festival). After the speeches, students lunched on traditional Bao Buns, rice paper rolls and Lunar-New-Year-themed cupcakes.

This event brought together the elements we love about Lunar New Year: sharing each other's company, sending our best wishes to each other and enjoying good food.

### Philip Island Excursion

To support the international students who were staying in Melbourne over the summer school holidays, Auburn High School organised a Philip Island excursion for our students. The purpose was to support our students at a time where they were unable to go back to their home country as has been the custom. This was an ideal opportunity for them to see more of Victoria and experience something different that they could not learn from the classroom.

Everyone was thoroughly immersed in the eyeopening and very stimulating outdoor experience and were appreciative of the opportunity to experience more of Australian culture, lifestyle and natural beauty. Highlights were feeding kangaroos, visiting the chocolate factory and the coastal walk at the Nobbies.

Jean Zhang International Student Coordinator



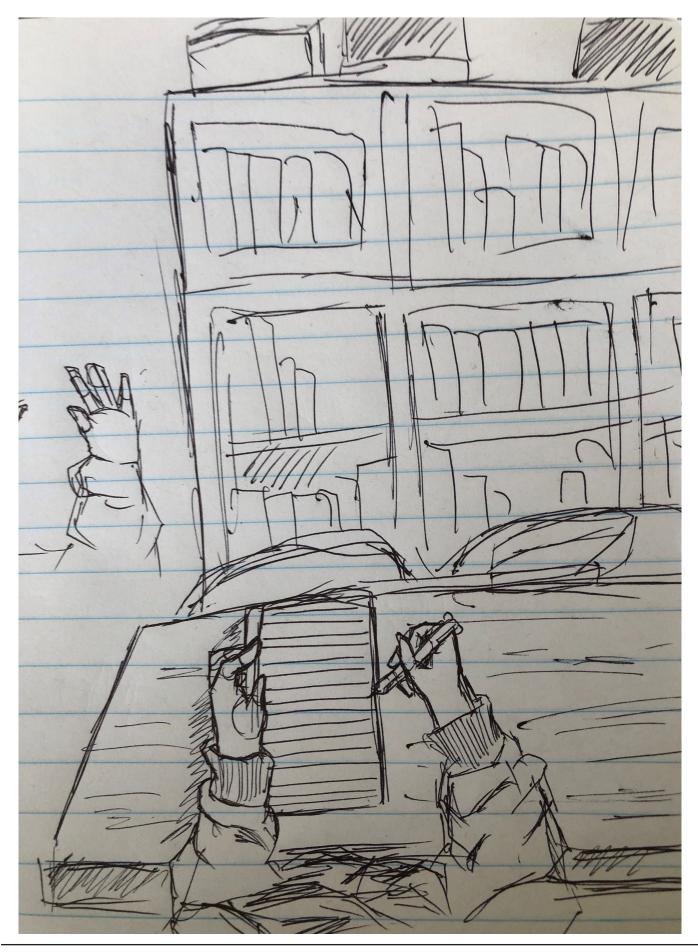






# **Feature Artwork**

Niya Rodson 10D



# Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover cost 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: <u>http://</u> <u>www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/</u><u>about/programs/health/</u> <u>csefapplicationform.pdf</u>.

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

Further information is available from the following website: <u>www.education.vic.gov.au/csef</u>.

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 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 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!





# **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 <u>zhang.jinxin.j@edumail.vic.</u> <u>gov.au</u> for details of tax-free remuneration and your role as homestay host.

# HOMEWORK CENTRE

Do you need some extra assistance with classwork? DO YOUR HOMEWORK 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



### 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 whist 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.

### SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL SHOP

## 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)

### Also Buy & Sell

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

**Pricing Guide** 

- Very Good 50%
- Good 40%

### www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au ABN 55 114 136 211

### 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 Zooper Dooper \$1.00

Drinks Up & Go \$2.50 Dailv 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

#### <u>Meals</u>

#### 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





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### Thinking beyond