

## The Arrow

## From the Principal



Australian Association of French English Bilingual Schools (AAFEBS) conference Canberra

Our school is a member of the Australian Association of French English Bilingual Schools (AAFEBS). The association was just an idea that was discussed initially at our school in 2014

and has now grown to represent 15 schools across Australia and New Zealand who are all implementing French bilingual programs. Last week Genevieve Papon, Sophie Oldfield and I attended the annual teacher professional learning days and AGM held in Canberra at Telopea Park School. There were over 60 participants, and the conference was opened by Mr Bertrand Pous, Head of Culture, Education, Embassy of France, Canberra. We spent the two days focusing on the teaching of Maths and Science in our French language classes and workshopped various strategies to engage and challenge students. In an increasingly globalised world we understand the importance of learning a second language. Language is increasingly becoming a skill needed in a future jobs market. At our school we spend extra hours in languages in the junior levels to prepare our students for future job prospects and to also improve their proficiency in their first language.



Important Dates	
Mon 18 Nov - Fri 22 Nov	Semaine des Lycee Française 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
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



#### Swedish educators visit

Last week we hosted Swedish educators from the Östra Real Gymnasium, a secondary school with 1,400 students in Stockholm. Our school was recommended to them, by the University of Melbourne - Graduate School of Education, as we are seen as a high performing school in Melbourne. They were interested in how we have managed to improve and transform as a school, using a strategic evidencebased approach. They were particularly interested in how we use research in upper secondary to inform teaching practice and they visited classrooms to observe literacy strategies in different learning areas and the teaching of English as an Additional They were very impressed with the Language. teachers they met, and their passion and knowledge for their teaching. They also enjoyed being in classrooms and observing the teaching and learning and the academic focus of our students.



#### PADSIP celebration evening

We had a lovely evening last week where we celebrated the Positive-Aging Digital-Storytelling Intergenerational Project (PADSIP) 2019 projects. Ms Wong's Year 7 English class took part in the project, which they have been working on weekly since Term 3, and is related to the text they are studying. They have been meeting with the older citizens during English lessons, creating short digital stories about an aspect of their partner's life. The focus has been on developing and sharing stories created through intergenerational collaboration and producing a life story in a short three-minute Video Digital Story format. The theme this year focused on changes over the past 80 years to our societal attitudes and way of life, and the impact of technology. Individual stories focused on a range of topics including migration, sport and travel, many of which were through wartime and the impact this has had on individuals.

The videos created were fabulous and an absolute pleasure to watch and they formed better connections and understanding between participants. Students presented their films with their families, guests and the elderly citizens in the audience. I would like to thank Angelina Wong and Craig McPherson for all their organisation of the successful PADSIP program. I would also like to thank Mark Silver and Shaun Summers, all the community members and the students for all their work in creating the short films.

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 <a href="mailto:2handuniform@auburnhs.vic.edu.au">2handuniform@auburnhs.vic.edu.au</a>. 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

## From the Assistant Principal

Swinburne University visit and welcome to our new Careers and Pathways

Manager

As part ongoing our partnership Swinburne with University and Boroondara Cares Foundation, Year 9 students attended a Day in the Life of a University Student



experience at Swinburne University Hawthorn Campus this week. This fabulous opportunity is an important lead-up to our Headstart program, when from November 25<sup>th</sup>, all students commence their 2020 studies.

Students took part in a range of activities including an Indigenous Studies lecture, a careers planning workshop, the 3D Astro Tour, a session discussing the transition from secondary to tertiary studies and a Q&A session with current Swinburne University students.

It was great to see our students deeply engaged, thinking about and articulating their aspirations for tertiary study and asking some thoughtful and considered questions.



What a wonderful way to welcome our new Careers and Pathways Manager Robyn Boardman, who started with us this week and came along with us on the excursion. Robyn's bio will appear in the next edition of The Arrow.

We've had a huge amount of interest from Year 9 and 10 (2020) students in the University of Melbourne Summer Program. Through our ongoing partnership with UoM, we have been lucky enough to take part in this immersive program for the past few years with overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants.

There was a great deal more interest than places available for the 2020 program so a waitlist has been set up. We hope to offer additional students places in the coming weeks.

## AHS Basketball Academy and 2020 Instrumental Music program

Registrations are now open for our exciting new AHS Basketball Academy, open to students who are in Year 7, 8 and 9 at AHS in 2020. Please contact the office to find out more or to register.

Nowisthetimeforthose students currently participating in our Instrumental Music program to secure their place via Compass for 2020. New starters are very welcome – please contact Mr Diamente or the office to find out more or to sign up. Please note that the number of places are limited and will be assigned on a first in, best dressed basis. Tuition is available in a range of instruments for absolute beginners or for more experienced musicians, with lots of performance opportunities in our various ensemble groups. We are looking forward to upcoming student performances at our DARE assemblies and Instrumental Music performance evening later this term.

#### Remembrance Day



Thank you to Year 11 students JJ Cevik and Chris Theologos for leading the school in one minute of silence to commemorate Remembrance Day this week. The boys composed some very thoughtful words to share with their peers about the significance of the day and taking a moment for gratitude and quiet reflection. Year 9 student Amy Goode created a beautiful artwork to mark the occasion, now on display in the front office. RSL poppies and other items can be purchased from the front office for the rest of the week.

Kristie Satilmis
Assistant Principal

### STEM



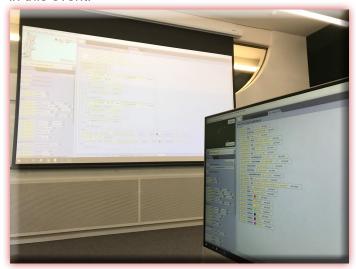
## 'Alice' Coding Event for Girls - PC4G

On Wednesday last week, Noellie and I went to Melbourne University's Parkville Campus for a two-hour coding workshop called 'Programming

Challenge 4 Girls (PC4G)'.



This was a girls-only event, where we used the programming software 'Alice' and also learnt about Cyber Security and its prominent future. We had lots of fun playing around with 'Alice' and making our own scenes from the creative challenges proposed to us in this event.



I highly recommend this event to all future Year 9 girls as it is an exciting opportunity to learn more about the fields of IT and Engineering.

Daria Osipova Year 9T

## LIBRARY NEWS

#### STEM READS

We have a great range of books on science, technology, engineering, and maths. Many read like narrative fiction and provide interesting and humourous information on famous



discoveries. You do not have to be into science and maths to enjoy these reads and if you prefer non-fiction, give them a go.

## The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks Rebecca Skloot

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. Born a poor black tobacco farmer, her cancer cells -- taken without her knowledge -- became a multimillion-dollar industry and one of the most important tools in medicine. Yet Henrietta's family did not learn of her 'immortality' until more than twenty years after her death, with devastating consequences. Balancing the beauty and drama of scientific discovery with dark questions about who owns the stuff our bodies are made of, The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks is an extraordinary journey in search of the soul and story of a real woman, whose cells live on today in all four corners of the world.

#### The Periodic Table Primo Levi

In these haunting reflections, Primo Levi, a chemist by training takes the elements of the periodic table as his inspiration. He ranges from young love to political savagery; 'Iron' honours the mountain-climbing resistance hero who put iron in Levi's student soul, while 'Cerium' recalls the improvised cigarette lighters which saved his life in Auschwitz.

#### Alex's Adventures in Numberland Alex Bellos

Mathematical ideas underpin just about everything in our lives: from geometry of the 50p piece to how probability can help you win in any casino. In search of weird and wonderful mathematical phenomena, the author travels across the globe and meets the world's fastest mental calculators in Germany and a startlingly numerate chimpanzee in Japan.

Jane Szokolik Library Technician

## **International Students**

#### Intercultural Capability Forum

On 30th of October, international students and their "local buddies" attended a one-day Intercultural Capability Forum. The program involved a number of activities and presentations that focused on the importance of cultural diversity and helped students learn more about Australian history and culture. The day concluded with Melbourne Museum gallery visits. Students visited the First Peoples and Milari Garden Gallery, the Melbourne Story Gallery and the Forest Secrets Gallery, which expanded their horizons in relation to the culture, history and the environment of Melbourne and Victoria.

Jean ZHANG

**International Student Coordinator** 



Here is what international students said about the forum:

"We were in pairs with local students. I gained more knowledge about different cultures in Australia."

Thuy My Pham



"I really like grouping with local students as it helps us to improve our language and most importantly make friends. I had a great time at the forum, it was fantastic!"

Mary Vu



"I had the best experience! I hope I can participate in more excursions like this in the future"

Selina Nguyen



#### **ABOUT**

Auburn High School in collaboration with Chase Basketball are excited to announce the 2020 launch of the Auburn High School Basketball Academy.

The Auburn High School Basketball Academy is available to interested Auburn High School students from Year 7-9 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 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:**

\$1540 (includes tuition, kit and admin fees)

For more information:

Email janet@chasebasketball.com.au or contact the school office staff

If you would like to participate in the 2020 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!

\*\*\* LUNCHTIME "TASTER" SESSION WEDNESDAY 27th NOVEMBER! COME AND TRY! \*\*\*





## **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.





#### **IMPROVING OUR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

#### Family and Business Contribution Opportunities 2019

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 <a href="mailto:zhang.jinxin.j@edumail.vic.gov.au">zhang.jinxin.j@edumail.vic.gov.au</a> for details of tax-free remuneration and your role as homestay host.

## HOMEWORK CENTRE

Do you need some extra assistance with classwork?

DO YOUR A quiet place to do your homework?

All year levels are encouraged to attend

#### **EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**



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**CALM** 

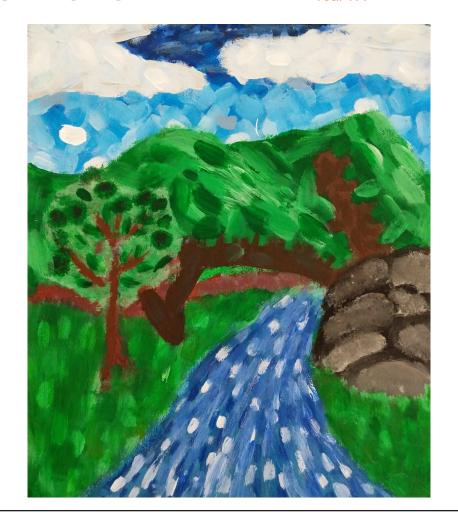
3:10 – 4:10 pm IN THE LIBRARY





## **Feature Artwork**

Maria Bodrina Year 7A



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.

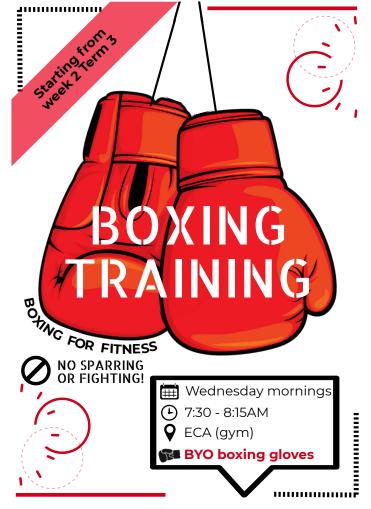


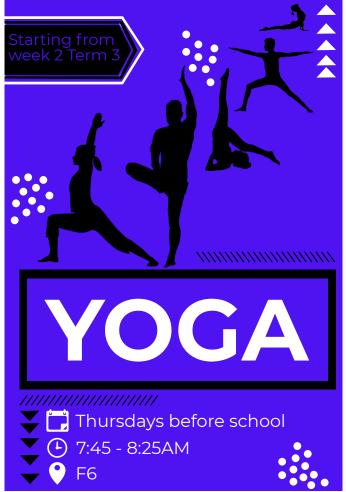
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