IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 8th April
Last day of Term 1

Wednesday 27th April
First day of Term 2

Wednesday 4th May
Open Day 2pm – 7pm

Select Entry Accelerated Learning Registration
Closes Sunday 8th May

Select Entry Accelerated Learning Exam
Saturday 14th May

INTRODUCING OUR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Every great school has traditions that build respect for education and create the school’s special character. As Albert Park College is new, we are no exception—but we have the added advantage of putting our traditions in place.

As you will know, our school’s motto is ‘lead, create, inspire’. Those values inform everything we do, and that’s why we’re putting a lot of energy into establishing our leadership program.

We have adopted a very modern and positive leadership program. It includes school captains and vice-captains, school ambassadors, and leaders in discipline areas of science, arts, e-learning, sport, music and environmental studies. The school captains have now been chosen. 25 students applied for the honour of being foundational captains and vice captains, but only four could be appointed, and I want to congratulate the following successful applicants:

- Girls’ Captain: Nova Harrison
- Boys’ Captain: Cameron Ryder
- Girls’ Vice-captain: Richa Dudhani
- Boys’ Vice-captain: Max Kooyman-Hardge.
But our school’s leadership program is about much more than choosing office bearers. The main goal is to develop every student's self-confidence and presentation skills so they can play a leading role in the community, the nation and the world. We want them to understand that they have a duty to take responsibility for the world around them. So we will be sending them out to participate in community programs, and we will bring community leaders into our schools to act as role models.

A big part of our leadership program is our new house system. It will give every student added opportunities to display leadership skills whilst creating friendships and bonding across all age levels.

Our values ‘lead, create, inspire’ have inspired the way our house system will run. And in an incredibly exciting development, three of the most nationally and globally recognised contemporary Australians will bear our house names.

**Tim Flannery House** (value lead, colour green). Scientist, environmentalist and explorer, Tim is one of the world’s recognised leaders in the most important issue our children will have to deal with during their lives – climate change.

**Tim Winton House** (create, blue). One of Australia’s greatest writers, Tim’s novels and public advocacy touch on the themes of marine conservation and the world of adolescents. There is no better fit for a school like ours that is built by the sea and which recognises literature as a crucial subject.

**Kathy Freeman House** (inspire, silver). As a child Kathy dreamt of Olympic gold, and she achieved it—and more. Like all our house names, she is now giving back to the community through her Kathy Freeman Foundation. As a school that believes in taking responsibility for promoting reconciliation, Kathy is a natural choice.

We hope this is just the start of our association with these three great Australians. Our choice of them sums up the sorts of traditions we want to inspire: we want our students to aspire to high standards, be grounded in contemporary issues, and not be afraid to put their hands up when history calls.

This is already happening, with one of our students, Georgia Ketels, and one of our teachers, Bridget McGuinness, being chosen to play leading roles in David Suzuki’s Melbourne presentation of his Forces of Youth school training academy in February. For a new school like ours, this is a great start to our leadership programs and a first taste of what we want to achieve.

*Steve Cook, Foundation Principal*

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**Premiers’ Reading Challenge**

Students will be participating in the Premiers’ Reading Challenge. Forms will be sent home with every student to be signed by parents/carers and returned to school.
ALBERT PARK COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS

On the 23rd of February Albert Park College launched our House system with our inaugural school swimming sports held at MSAC. An enthusiastic group of staff and parents joined our students in cheering on all the participants. Competition was fierce in the pool and a close battle for the winner of the first house system soon emerged. Race by race the lead changed with silver house emerging triumphant at the end of the day.

It was great to see the students dressed in their house colours and to see students from across the tutorial groups mixing and cheering on their individual houses. A big thank you is in order for all the staff and parents who assisted on the day and in particular to Mr Eddie Gillespie who coordinated the whole event. It truly was the day the house system came alive.

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The City of Port Phillip and the community have embarked on an exciting journey to create a vision for the future of the Port Melbourne Waterfront. The vision will be part of the Port Melbourne Waterfront Urban Design Framework (UDF), which aims to enhance liveability and secure a sustainable future for the precinct. It is important that we work together to create a shared vision for the waterfront that caters for all members of the community, preserves its rich natural heritage and celebrates the unique character of the Port Melbourne waterfront.

Opportunities to have your say:
Online: Visit portphillip.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay
In person: Come along to the Vision Confirmation Drop-In Session on the waterfront and tell us what you think.

When: Saturday 7 May, 10 am – 3 pm
Where: Beach Street, in front of Port Melbourne Yacht Club

For more information contact Steve Scott on 9209 6309 or email sjscott@portphillip.vic.gov.au
BAYSIDE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Tuesday the 15th of March, nine A.P.C students (Nova Harrison, Aislinge Samuel, Chelsea Saw, Simone Kovatcher, Jake Kazakevics, Lachlan McMullen, Michael Sponza, Oskar Shrowder, and Brandon Park), went on a bus with Mr Wallace Smith and Mr Gillespie, to Oakleigh Recreation Centre for the 2011 Bayside Swimming Championships. The day was full of events! There were lots of different kinds of strokes that we competed in. Breaststroke, butterfly, backstroke, and freestyle. One of the things that I think most of us were worried about (I know I was), was the diving at the beginning of each race. And also the fact that some of us had to swim against people up to the age of 18! One of our swimmers, Jake, beat an eighteen year old in butterfly! One of the things that I liked the best, was that we got to talk to the other schools. There was a really nice bunch of kids who we were talking to, that were sitting next to us.

Some of the places that were accomplished were: second place in Backstroke 100m by Simon, third place in Breaststroke 50m by Aislinge, second place in Butterfly 50m by Jake, third place in Breaststroke 100m by Lachlan, third place in Freestyle 50m by Michael, fourth place in Freestyle 100m by Brandon, second place in Backstroke 50m by Oscar, fourth place in Freestyle 50m by Nova and third place in Breaststroke 100m by Chelsea. In a freestyle relay the girls came third and the boys in their freestyle relay came second.

Mr Gillespie and Mr Wallace Smith were very encouraging, and took some great photos!

"This was the first time ever that Albert Park College was presented at an inter-school sports day, and by all measures the students did the school extremely proud with their swimming and also by their fantastic energy and attitudes." Mr. Gillespie.

The day overall was really fun and I think everyone enjoyed it.

Written by Aislinge Samuel
OPEN DAY 2011
WEDNESDAY 4th MAY 2pm-7pm

You are most welcome to attend our open day, join a guided tour, peruse displays and talk to our staff and students.

Foundation Principal Presentation: 4.00pm and 6.00pm

In 2012 Albert Park College will provide a Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program for Year 7 students who have exceptional academic ability. This program offers students the opportunity to undertake challenging learning experiences that are tailored to meet the needs of students of outstanding academic achievement.

Enquiries regarding the program should be directed to the college on 8695 9000.

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Lead Create Inspire
REGISTRATION DAY & SKILLS SESSION

COME SEE SOME MELBOURNE TIGERS GREATS.

DATE: Saturday 30th April 2011
Albert Park College
83 Danks Street, Albert Park
TIME: 12.00 Noon to 2.00pm

2011 Winter Season to commence April 2011
Games played between 11.00am & 5.00pm

Local Saturday Afternoon Domestic Basketball Competition
Hosted By: Melbourne Basketball Association

* NEW, FUN & LOCAL COMPETITION
* U10, U12 & U14 BOYS AND GIRLS COMPETITION
* WINTER SEASON: APRIL TO SEPTEMBER
  (EXCLUDING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)
* SUMMER SEASON: OCTOBER TO MARCH
  (EXCLUDING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)
* REGISTER AS A TEAM OR INDIVIDUAL

Playing Venues:
Albert Park College
Elsternwick Primary
Elwood College

Contact:
admin@melbournebasketball.com.au
0418376651 or 0419834835

Online Registration Forms at:
www.melbournebasketball.com.au
Or post to: 24 Alexandra Avenue
Elsternwick 3185