IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 27th of June
Last Day of Term Two
Students to finish at 2.10pm

Monday 14th of July
First Day of Term Three

Thursday 17th of July
Senior Years Information Evening
Year 9 students and parents/carers - 6.00pm
Year 10 students and parents/carers - 7.00pm

Monday 21st of July
APC Families Meeting - 7.00pm

Thursday the 24th of July
Senior Years Subject Expo
APC Library - 3.00pm to 6.00pm

28th of July to the 15th of August
Course Counselling Program

Friday the 1st of August
Vaudeville
At the National Theatre - 7.30pm

PRINCIPAL’S SAY
DA VINCI PROGRAM POTENTIAL

Last Tuesday night the Albert Park College gym was converted into an environmental learning centre where our Year 9 students showcased their creative responses to the Da Vinci Project.

Large scale multimedia screens projected individual responses to the challenges we confront in creating a better, cleaner environment for future generations. Individual dance pieces and original musical scores were complemented by large scale sculptural items and finely wrought works of art. All of the works were built around one single theme- the environment.

It was quite humbling to see our students passion and commitment to the environment on public display. They spoke about how challenging and thought provoking the curriculum had been and how transformative a learning experience it had been to study one of the biggest issues confronting the planet.

I love the way this unit of work speaks to what we stand for as a school. The commitment to the study and of the environment is self-evident. However, equally important is what I would refer to as “a partnership of learning.” Proud students standing in front of their work, sharing their creativity and passion with members of their family and the broader school community.

This is cutting edge curriculum, rich in the use of technology. It is challenging and meaningful work with our distinctive creative stamp on every single piece of work produced by our students. It reflects our commitment to creativity and the arts and our understanding of the place of the arts in every day life.
As I walked through the exhibition I was struck by how good a fit the former Circus Oz site will be with this program. The state government recently announced a grant of 5.5 million dollars to acquire and refurbish the site. The opportunity to refurbish two heritage listed buildings and to be able to put our students work on proud display in that setting is quite unique.

For those who have not yet had an opportunity to check out the building it lies a short seven minute walk from Albert Park College. The former naval drill hall and post office have enormous potential for conversion into an innovative school site.

Open plan spaces are complemented by hardwood floors and pine lined ceilings. Large scale celestiy windows open up to the street. It is a light filled space that is grand in scale. The location is a mere 200 metres from the beach and it will be a perfect home for our Year 9 students and our senior years performing arts program.

As you can imagine, the process of redesigning the space as a purpose built learning centre is a lengthy one and we expect that the design and construction process will take us well into the next year. We will officially moving in to the space at the start of the 2016 school year.

Currently, we are seeking corporate and local support with initiatives such as our quest to find 100 supporters willing to donate $1,000.00 each for this exciting new project. With your support we will create a space that is a model for learning.

This is a project that I have no doubt will put Albert Park College on the world map as a leading education provider. It is an exciting, enormously creative project and will provide an inspiring place of learning for the students of Albert Park College.

Steve Cook,
Foundation Principal.

APC SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2014

In Term Four Albert Park College will have its second annual school production, titled Recess. We are calling for donations of old school uniforms from schools other than APC. If you have any old uniform items, could they be given to reception and labelled “School Production”. Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

School Production Coordinator – Victoria Kilpatrick.
DA VINCI SHOW 2014
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE STUDENTS ON THEIR OUTSTANDING PRESENTATIONS

SPONSOR A PANEL
If you would like to be a part of this project you can purchase one or more panels by donating directly to the College. Each panel costs $380.00 to install, this is the total system price divided by 40 (40 panels for a 10kWp system).

If you have no roof space at home and you want to teach your child about energy saving this is a great way to play your part in establishing Albert Park College as an energy hub in our community. All donations are fully tax deductible.
APC STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

SURF LIFESAVING SUCCESS

Joel Hosken will be competing in the Surf Life Saving Australian National Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) competitions in Kingscliffe, NSW. Joel has been a member at Elwood Life Saving Club for the past five years. He attained his Bronze Medallion last year and then earned his IRB crew qualification. He is hoping to gain his boat licence later this year and then his IRB drivers qualification.

This is his first year of IRB competition and he has previously competed as a “patient”. This means he is dropped about 130 metres off shore and waits for his IRB team mates (a driver and a crew member) to come and ‘rescue’ him. A good patient is preferably light and flexible and can tread water using the egg beater kick to propel themselves out of the water. A highly trained team barely slows down as the patient is lifted out of the water into the boat and then races back to shore. There are a number of different race events, using different rescue techniques and Joel has competed in them all.

Joel will be competing in the Victorian Championships during the school holidays, prior to the National Championships three weeks later.

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our year seven cross country team, who have had outstanding success in the boys 12-13 regional division.

Overall, four Albert Park College students have qualified for the cross country state finals.

We wish our students good luck for the next stage of the competition.
BRINGING NGV ARTWORKS TO LIFE

The Year 7 Theatre Studies students worked on an exciting new project throughout Term Two. Both classes were given the challenge of creating a short theatre piece based upon one of six paintings at the National Gallery of Victoria.

The project was developed in association with Susie May, who is one of The NGV’s Education Officers. The students visited the NGV at the start of Term Two to have an initial exploration of the paintings with Susie. They then worked in groups focusing on one particular artwork. The students researched their paintings, developed original scripts, rehearsed and learnt them and returned in the final week of this term to perform their short pieces at the NGV in front of each of the artworks.

The paintings that were chosen all have rich and detailed stories associated with their subject matter. This gave the students plenty to work with when developing their own scripts. The paintings included: Pablo Picasso’s ‘Weeping Woman’, two paintings by Edwin Long: ‘A Question of Propriety’ and ‘Queen Esther’, ‘The Banquet of Cleopatra’ by Giovanni Tiepolo and ‘Ulysses and the Sirens’ by John William Waterhouse.

The Year 7 Theatre Studies students all did an excellent job of investigating these works and creating their own original scripts. During their performances at the NGV, the students maintained excellent focus and demonstrated their skills in characterisation, use of facial expressions and gestures.

Susie May from the NGV was delighted by the students’ work. We were both incredibly impressed with the students’ ability to engage so well with such complex works. We were moved to tears by the students’ responses to Picasso’s ‘Weeping Woman’, in which the students referenced the bombing of innocent civilians at Guernica. Both Year 7 groups used images from Picasso’s painting of ‘Guernica’ in their performances. The other paintings also proved as stimulus for exciting pieces of Drama – with the stories of characters such as Ulysses, Cleopatra, Queen Esther and even aspects of the Spanish Inquisition all being brought to life.

It was a new venture for the gallery to have Drama students performing their own responses to artworks. APC has a very close relationship with the National Gallery of Victoria and we look forward to continuing to strengthen those ties in the future. Congratulations to the Year 7 Theatre Studies classes for their brave, inspiring and engaging responses to NGV artworks.

Vanessa O’Neil,
Albert Park College Drama Teacher.

Lead Create Inspire
APC TRIVIA NIGHT

On Friday the 14th of June Albert Park College held its annual Trivia Night. Over $14,000 was raised on what proved to be a fun-filled night.

Funds raised will be used to provide a lighting grid for the school’s drama space. The lighting grid will assist with future performances that will be held in the space.

Albert Park College warmly thanks all those who contributed and attended the evening, and especially thanks those who organised the event. A lot of time and effort, from those amongst our parent community, went into making the evening a huge success.

STAFFING CHANGES FOR SEMESTER TWO

Albert Park College is sorry to lose three members of our teaching staff this semester as they move on to new and exciting opportunities.

Sue Ellen Goode and Matthew Styles are both returning to England towards the beginning of next semester. The College extends a big thank you for their contribution to Albert Park College over the past three years.

Vanessa O’Neill has accepted a position as Education Officer at the Malthouse theatre. A great opportunity for Vanessa. She will keep her association with APC strong by continuing to co-ordinate Vaudeville and by providing a strong link between APC and the Malthouse Theatre.

The College extends a warm welcome to the new staff members joining us next term. Felicity Stewart, who is currently a SEAL leader at Mordiallic College. Mia Murphy, who has three years teaching experience in England and Australia, who will be joining the College’s P.E. team. And Jessica Lee, who will be taking on Drama and Media subjects. She is currently based in Brisbane and is flying south to join our team.
VICTORIAN INTERSCHOOL SNOWSPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Can you ski or snowboard? You don't have to be a superstar, just willing to give it a go!

The Victorian Interschool Snowsports Championships is being held at Mt Buller from Thursday 28th – Sunday 31st August 2014.

The alpine skiing discipline covers three events: Giant Slalom (timed through a gated race course), Moguls (bumps and jump), and Skiercross (GS / obstacle course). Similarly, the snowboarding discipline covers two events: Giant Slalom and Boarder Cross.

Entries must be finalised by Thursday 7th August. More information about interschools is available at www.vicinterschools.com.au including a provisional timetable.

It is important to note that the year sevens and eights attending the Falls Creek Snow camp will not be able to enter unless they are entering the snowboard events which are on Saturday the 30th and Sunday the 31st August.

If you would like to be part of the team representing Albert Park College or would like to find out more, please contact the Snowsports Co-ordinator Shai Ashkanasy. By email: shaiashkanasy@gmail.com or via mobile: 0418 387 997.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The College is seeking any donations of second hand uniform to be sold. The uniforms will need to be clean and in good condition.

They will be available for sale at our next coffee morning being held on Friday the 25th of July.

All proceeds will be going to the school.

If you have any queries please direct them to Teena (a parent at the College) on 0407 964 691.
VAUDEVILLE NIGHT COMING SOON

The Albert Park College Vaudeville Night is coming soon, it will be held on Friday 1st August at 7.30pm.

Rehearsals for this year’s Vaudeville Night are now well underway. We have an exciting line-up of acts including: dance, drama, music, singing, physical theatre, digital media, circus and clowning. The infamous ‘Principal Act’ is making a welcome return as well as a few other surprise acts. This year’s APC Vaudeville Night is on at the beautiful National Theatre (corner of Carlisle and Barkly Streets in St. Kilda). We would love to see you there for a night celebrating the incredible range of creative talent at APC.

Tickets: $30 adults and $15 students / concession.
Family ticket: $75 (two adult and two student / concession tickets).
Tickets will be on sale from Tuesday July 1st from www.nationaltheatre.org.au or call 9525 4611 (transaction fees apply to phone bookings).

We are very keen to hear from parents who could assist Lesley Melody with sewing, altering or donating costumes. Lesley can be contacted at: lesleymelody@hotmail.com.

We are also interested in having parents help backstage on the night. Please contact Michelle Robin at: michelle.robin@bigpond.com.

Looking forward to seeing you on Friday August 1st at The National Theatre for an extraordinary night of entertainment.

Vanessa O’Neill and Debra Batton,
Vaudeville Night Coordinators.

MUSIC DONATION

Albert Park College would like to thank Judith Scoble for her generous donation of a piano to the Albert Park College music department. The school is incredibly grateful for the gift.

The piano will be stored in room 28 so that the VCE music performance students have full access to a rehearsal piano. The piano is an excellent addition to the music departments growing instrumental collection.

The gift will enable our very talented instrumental music students to perform to the very best of their ability.
ALBERT PARK COLLEGE NEPAL EXPEDITION

The Albert Park College Nepal trip has been finalised, eight students and eight parents will be trekking the highest mountain range in the world.

It will be a 15 day trip in late October and the group will be visiting local schools and orphanges, white water rafting and trekking through breathtaking scenery.

The trip will be lead by Albert Park College teacher James Wallace-Smith who has previous experience travelling and hiking in these areas.

PARTNERSHIP PROGRESS - CALLING ON IT EXPERTS

APC is leading the innovative use of ICT in education through the use of iPads, MacAirs and a fully online curriculum in a wireless environment.

We have developed innovative new iPad resources that are redefining learning. Using iTunesU, a more personalised, interactive and flexible learning experience is being created.

We are also exploring new and creative ways of showcasing digital student work. The feedback gained from displaying work is an important part of the education process. If you have expertise in creating digital content, including web pages, podcasts and interactive iBooks, we need you. If you have expertise in digital installations, your help would also be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Mark Sheppard on: mark.shep@optusnet.com.au and help the community of Albert Park College push the boundaries of eLearning.

Lead Create Inspire
Curators Trudy Rice and Lesley Melody invite artists to submit 2 and 3 dimensional works for the Albert Park College 4th annual Art Show to be held on

17-19 October

Enter online for $10 per work (non refundable).

Entries close 5pm, 15 Sept 2014

Work will be selected by a panel. 25% of each sale goes to the school.

Enquiries to Trudy Rice on 0410 596 415 or apccollegeartshow@gmail.com

For details, expressions of interest and past winners, go to:

www.albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au
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