### ALBERT PARK COLLEGE

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MARCH 2016 - ISSUE 2

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Monday 11th April Start of Term 2

#### Monday 11th April

Year 7 - 2017 Enrolment Applications forms available Non-Goverment school students only

**12th April - 20th April** Year 9 Surf Camp

#### Monday 18th April

Second Hand Uniform Stall 8.30am - 9.30am APC Courtyard

#### Wednesday 20th April

APC Families Drinks The Beach Bar, Albert Park 7.30pm

#### Monday 25th April

Public Holiday - Anzac day

#### Thursday 28th April

Open Day 2pm - 7pm

#### Friday 29th April

APC Families Coffee Morning
APC Cafe - 8.30am

#### Saturday 30th April - 1st May

APC Families Camp

#### **Monday 2nd May**

SEAL Registration closing date

#### Saturday 7th May

SEAL exam date

### PRINCIPAL'S SAY

It is no accident that our school motto opens with the word Lead. We knew when we opened Albert Park College that the quality of leadership, in particular, student leadership, would be pivotal in establishing the reputation of the new College.

Six years in, we have a comprehensive leadership program that has been tailored for the students of Albert Park College. It is a school-wide focus, which impacts on the day to day life of every student at the College but it is most visible in the formal positions of leadership that are in place across the College.

This year we have taken a further symbolic step. After an exhaustive process, which included presenting to our teaching staff and their peers, we have selected our College Captains. The importance of being the first College Captains at Year 12 level is clear. In a hundred years time their names will be recognized as the first ever Year 12 leaders of Albert Park College.

We are expecting them to raise the profile of 'student voice' at the College and to represent our College values both at a school and community level. Congratulations to our foundation College Captains Campbell Rider and Ava Thornley, supported by the vice-captains, Erika Palomares and Graydon Cannavan-Forbes. We are looking forward to their contribution throughout the year.

The election of the College Captains was an important stage in establishing Year 12. In fact, creating a positive and challenging Year 12 culture is the most important work that we are doing this year.



This can be as simple as establishing protocols that support the completion of a successful Year 12 through to creating events designed to celebrate each student's contribution to the College. One example is our valedictory dinner which will be held at the St Kilda Town Hall. Equally important are the more whimsical elements of building a school culture such as the creation of a College song. This will be created by our students in term two.

In part, this months newsletter may resemble the "sports edition" of Albert Park College The beautiful Autumn weather has inspired some outstanding achievements, particularly on the water, a nice fit with our unique position between the lake and the sea.

We have some beautiful images and video footage of our annual swimming sports (Please click here - password: apcmedia) Our sailing teams continue to grow in stature and we are proud to be able to report that we had great success in the state schools sailing regatta. Equally impressive was the performance of our fledgling rowing teams who had wonderful results at the Head of the River Schoolgirls rowing regatta on the Barwon River.

Finally, I wish you a restful break over the Easter period and look forward to another dynamic term at Albert Park College in term two

> Steve Cook Foundation Principal

#### **APC School Council - Declaration of Poll**

I would like to begin by congratulating and thanking the canditates for their willingness to be part of the Albert Park College School Council election.

The successful elected members in the school council in the Parent category are:

- Gordon Anderson
- Jules Brooks
- Tim Walsh

The successful elected member in the school council in the DET category is:

Anne Stout

I look forward to working closely with yourself and the elected members over the next 2 years in helping to realise Albert Park College's full potential.

> Steve Cook Foundation Principal



# NEWS

### **Swimming Sports Carnival 2016**



Congratulations on everybody's achievements at the annual Albert Park College swim carnival held at MSAC on Thursday the 3rd of March.

It was really great to see everyone in an amazing team spirit cheering on their house or participating in various events, even if they weren't the best swimmer. As always the novelty races were a hilarious event to watch with everyone giving it their best shot, and of course having heaps of fun.

A huge congratulations to Freeman, who have currently placed themselves at the top of the scoreboard for the year.





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A special congratulations is to be given to the following swimmers who were selected to represent APC at the Beachside Division Swimming and Diving competition that was held at the Oakleigh Recreation Centre on Tuesday the 8th of March. This was quite a warm day filled with great talent and success by the Albert Park team.

Alexandra ARENIUS
Kala BAILEY
Joe BARNES
Oscar BURDETT
Mack BURDETT
Tess BURGER
Liam CAPON
Jayde COSFORD
Ebony FAULKNER
Bailey GOFFMCDONALD
Lachlan HIRTH

Angus JOHNSON Kurtis MACAULAY Emma MADGWICK Hannah MAGASANIK Matilda MARNIKA Christophe MICHAEL Lewis O'DONNELL Oscar PAULKE Freya SECKINGER-CROW





Well done to the following swimmers and divers who have since qualified for regionals which will be held at MSAC. Good luck to the swimmers and divers competing! Alexandra ARENIUS
Kala BAILEY
Oscar BURDETT
Mack BURDETT
Tess BURGER
Jayde COSFORD
Ebony FAULKNER

Hannah MAGASANIK Freya SECKINGER-CROW Emma MADGWICK Christophe MICHAEL



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### **College Captains 2016**

#### **Campbell Rider and Ava Thornley**



Congratulations! The College Captains are the voice of the student body. They collaborate with staff, students and the broader community to achieve the best outcomes for APC. College Captains organise and lead the Senior SRC and represent the College at internal and external events. Here are some words from Campbell and Ava:

It's a profound honour to be entrusted with the role of College Captain in Albert Park College's first graduating year. Having watched this school grow and develop from its very beginning, I feel a strong sense of commitment to APC, something I hope will enable me to approach this role with the necessary maturity and responsibility. At such an important time for the school, nothing could be more valuable than ensuring that the students are properly represented. The recently established Student Representative Council will certainly provide a new channel of communication between the student body and the administration, and allow for greater student input into the school's development. Especially at APC, where there has always been a particular emphasis on leadership and independence, this sort of development makes logical sense. With one in four young Australians experiencing mental health issues at some point during their adolescence, it is evident that every possible change should be made to ensure students are awarded an appropriate level of input and participation in the decisions made at their school. Having recently joined the Safe Schools Coalition, APC has already demonstrated a commitment to student wellbeing that can only be improved by greater participation in the form of a Student Representative Council. I hope that as College Captain, I will be able to proudly take part in establishing for the future of the college a culture that is inclusive, fair and structured to make students' experience of high school exceptionally memorable.

As one of Albert Park College's foundation students, it is a privilege to be selected for the role of 2016 College Captain, during APC's first graduating year. Albert Park College has been such a huge part of my life, and has given me countless opportunities to grow as both an individual and a leader.

The late Mr Steve Jobs once said, 'Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower.' As APC continues to develop, student input is one of the most valuable attributes that our school can have. As a school that has always put an emphasis on leadership, creativity and inspiration, nothing could be more important than giving students this platform to make change. This year, with the establishment of a Student Representative Council (SRC), coordinated by students for students, I wish to further encourage the development of a strong student leadership forum, paving a pathway for all students, present and future, to follow.

To me, the role of College Captain is much more than just a few speeches and a badge, because a great leader's courage to fulfil their vision comes from passion, not position.

As College Captain, I commit to enforcing this vision and will leave at the end of this year knowing I have displayed the qualities and values I stand for.

Ava Thornley

Campbell Rider

### **Student Leadership 2016**

Student leaders are actively involved in and working towards making Albert Park College all that it can be. They represent the interests of students, teachers, the school and community. The student leadership program makes student leaders an integral part of the decision making process within the school and active contributors to the fabric of the school.

#### **College Vice Captains**

- Graydon
   Cannavan-Forbes
- Erika Palomares

#### **Innovation Ambassadors**

Innovation Ambassadors are representatives of the student body who work to promote the Arts and STEM throughout the College and the broader community.

- Arts: Emma Rossignol
- STEM: Kevin Yang

#### **Ambassadors**

Ambassadors are year level leaders who represent the interests of their year level on the Student Representative Council. They contribute to the planning and implementation of wholeschool and year level events.

#### Year 12 Ambassadors

- Aislinge Samuel
- John Yu
- Luke Patitsas
- Melanie Erceg
- Buzz Miljoen
- Grace Kelly

#### Year 11 Ambassadors

- Charlie Britzman
- Macson Dimovski
- Alexandra McFarlane
- Ellen Waite
- Sienna Withington
- Jana Wardrop

#### Year 10 Ambassadors

- Nick Neales
- Emma Foley
- Bella Tolhurst
- Sophie Crandall
- Mackenzie Selleck
- Laure Petrie

#### Year 9 Ambassadors

- Zoe Chambers
- Marcel Mena
- Charlotte Hewitson
- William Hurley
- Sen Turner
- Julian Bonitz

#### **Year 8 Ambassadors**

- Grace-Ann Faulkner
- Jensen Anderson
- Oscar Pearce
- Freya Seckinger-Crow
- Ginger Clement
- Molly Robson

#### **Year 7 Ambassadors**

- Lily Sundberg
- Jodhi Ramsden Mavric
- Campbell Darby
- Madeline Liew
- Lachlan Hirth
- Melisand Box

#### **House Captains**

House Captains organise and lead their House at all House-based competitions and events. They work collaboratively with staff and students to promote a sense of House spirit throughout the College.

#### **Senior House Captains**

- Sienna Withington
- Oscar Paulke
- Ozman Soylemez
- Jada Kooyman-Hardge
- Buzz Miljoen
- Coco Majstorovic

#### **Junior House Captains**

- Oscar Burdett
- Stephie Peterson
- Laura Heron
- Lachlan Hirth
- Katrina Limnios
- Dylan Harrison-Smith

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#### Peer Educators

Peer Educators provide oneon-one tutoring to their peers throughout terms two and three. They pride themselves on giving back to the APC community and enhancing the learning environment of the College.

- Aislinge Samuel
- Julian Greentree
- Jeremy Meyn
- Emma Rossignol
- Chelsea Saw
- Eric Loong
- Theo Davies
- Cameron Mullis
- Grace Kelly
- Kevin Luu
- Shahd Sideek
- Charlie Britzman
- Leon Fricker
- Ellen Waite
- Anya Scoble-Hansen
- Staci Barr
- · Lily Li
- Stella Li
- Kristen Tillack
- Miriam Wilkins
- Alexandra McFarlane
- Felix Harvey
- Lex Gallon
- Wells McDonald
- Stephanie Li
- Johnny Wilson
- Belle Arcus

#### Portfolio Area Leaders

Portfolio Area Leaders work closely with staff and students within their designated area of the College to run events and to help to promote their portfolio throughout the College.

#### **Environment leaders**

- Lachlan Black
- Hunter Seabrook

#### **IT Leader**

Will Casey

#### **Maths Leader**

Melisand Box

#### Science Leader

- Snr: Dene Morris
- Jnr: Hunter Seabrook

#### Visual Art Captain

- Snr: Jordan Benjamin
- Jnr: Emma McQuire

#### **Performing Arts Captain**

- Mackenzie Selleck (co-captain)
- Bella Tolhurst (co-captain)

#### **Inspire Leader**

Laura Heron

#### **Music Captain**

- Hayley Trinca
- Lily Ward

#### **Debating Leader**

- Ellen Waite
- Marcel Mena

#### **Humanities Leader**

- Zarif Mohd-Yazid (co-captain)
- Alexandra Amvasas (co-captain)

#### **Hospitality Leader**

Emily Kalaitzidis

#### **Sport Leader**

- Janna Fotokopoulos
- Daniel Marks

#### French Leader

- Snr: Emma Launder (co-captain)
- Snr: Alexandra MacFarlane (co-captain)
- Jnr: Margot Petrie

#### Year in Review Photography Leader

- Camille Perry (co-captain)
- Maximilien Mackenzie (co-captain)

#### City of Port Phillip - Parking Regulations - Please note

The City Of Port Phillip that parking officers will be patrolling the College area daily. They will be photographing and fining cars that are double parking outside the College during morning drop offs and afternoon pick ups. It is important all comply with appropriate road rules therefore ensuring the safety of all.



### **Bay St Campus Fundraising**

Work continues apace at our new Year 9 Campus in Bay Street, Port Melbourne, with the pace being matched by our fundraising efforts!

APC has pledged to raise \$1,000,000 to enhance the scope of the project funded by the State government. Thanks to the generous donations of our school community and partners, we have raised \$409,000 so far. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all of our generous donors, who are helping us to develop a truly ground-breaking education space.

Our Year 9 Media students are currently creating an animation which will be the basis of an online crowdfunding initiative to raise awareness of the Year 9 Da Vinci Project and seek donations for the new campus. Big thanks to **Whybin\TBWA** who came up with the concept and are assisting with production.

The students visited the agency on Monday 21st March to kick-start the illustration phase of the animation.









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We would like to recognise our Major and Corporate Partners, as well as all of our APC1000 club members.

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#### **APC1000 Members**

PDA Australia Lisa Wilson Margie Manning Debra Lyon Kate Davis Cameron Rider Penelope Steuart Martin Foley Warren Voss Aidan & Pam Carter John Patitsas Andrew Clark & Sarah

Tiffin Don Heron & Kate Ryan Jane Kneebone

Lesley Melody John Harris John Playfoot Cynthia Calva

Ken & Debbie O'Donnell

Jolande Hooke Mr Siu Luk

Ruth & Iain Hewitson

George Krawat

Ms Caroline Curnow &

**Bruce Copland** 

Ms S Potter & Mr A Israel

Mr Raymond Tam

Tim Norman

Ellen Koshland & James

McCaughey

Robert Chliakhtine

Mr & Mrs T Lewis

David Kelly Paul Waring

Pane e Tulipani

Rob Hess

Bill & Sandra Burdett

Andrew Kerwin Catherine Twigg Peter Crandall Peter Lewis

**Boyall Family** 



Anthony Jackson &

Family

Rotary Club Darren & Natalina

McGowan

Neil Shrowder Mr A Moses & Ms C

McMahon

Ms E Hansen & Mr S

**Bradley** 

Ms Elina Bowron Richard Barker

Catherine McClements

Vince DiMitrio

Mr K Kalicin & Ms A

Dangubic

Ms Jules McLean Murray Closter David Hodge

Ms Denise & Mr James

Birdesye

Ms M Pless-Bennett Dr Per Hansen & Dr J

Scoble

Mr Jamie Foster

Dr Andrew Langton-Joy

Snez Dangubic

Colondra Investments

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Sue jackson Malcolm Barr

Garry Fox

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Linda Norman

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Cresp

Ms Robyn May & Mr Magnus Edwards Ms Fraine Mahoney & Mr

Cameron Evans Mr Mark & Mrs Alana

Sheppard

Ms Shelley Osler & Mr Justin Spangaro

You can help us to reach our fundraising target by joining the APC1000 club, making a donation to our Building Fund, or connecting us to an organisation you think may be willing to offer support.

Donations can be made at the school office. you have an idea about a potential partner, please contact Mark Sheppard on 0417 591 786 or markshepd@gmail.com.

And, don't forget, all donations to the building project are tax deductible!

### Studio Arts at the NGV

On Tuesday March 8th the Year 11 Studio Arts class attended the Andy Warhol & Ai Weiwei exhibition at the NGV International.

We began the day with a look around the gallery. The students were quite excited to experience some very famous artwork in real life. Some had already been to the exhibition, so took great pleasure in informing other students about some of the meanings and interpretations behind the pieces. One of the highlights for students was interacting with the Andy Warhol factory balloons.

Following our exhibition viewing, students participated in an Inspiration and Ideas workshop. This workshop introduced students to the idea of using others artwork for appropriation and further conceptual development. In particular we looked at how the work of Australian artist Kenny Pittock plays on that of both Ai Weiwei and Andy Warhol. Students created their own artwork from a source (a chocolate bar) by reinterpreting the wording on the package to create a new product similar to Pittock's style. This process is one that will assist them in developing their own ideas for an upcoming assessment task.

"I enjoyed the freedom you had to walk around and look at a wide majority of artists work, which would then inspire you to create something different." Kristopher Dervenis (Year 11 student)

> Michelle Luckman Year 11 Studio Arts Teacher All images by Camille Perry (Year 11 student)















### Top team sails into victory!



Congratulations to our APC Champion Sailing Team, now officially the swiftest crew in the state! They are the Victorian School Team Sailing State Champions. More details to come in the next newsletter.

#### **Quick Sports Snapshot**

Congratulations to:

- Year 8 Girls A as they won the Beachside Volleyball competition
- Year 8 Boys A as they won the Beachside Tennis Competition
- APC Senior Boys Ultimate Frisbee Division Champions as they are through to the Victorian State Finals
- Kala Bailey has qualified for the national ages swimming competitions being held in Adelaide after Easter. She is competing in 100m freestyle. Good luck Kala!

Hannah Magasanik had a fantastic State Surf Lifesaving Championships with 3 individual medals and 4 team medals and was named 2015-16 U14 Surf Champion of the year. Three of her team medals were accomplished alongside Lucy De Gleria Cade.

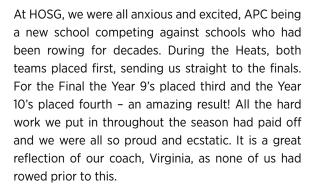
Congratulations Hannah!





### **APC Rowing**

In 2015, APC was fortunate to secure Olympic Medallist, Virginia Lee, to Coach the APC Foundation Rowing Program. The program ran over two terms (Term 4 and Term 1), and was incredibly successful. There were two crews - Year 8/9 Girls and Year 9/10 Girls - both teams were amazing in all of their regattas. Throughout the season the girls prepared themselves for the big regatta by training at 6am, three mornings a week and 7am on Saturday mornings. In March, APC competed for the first time at a Head of School Girls (HOSG) regatta which is held on the Barwon River in Geelong. Thousands of girls compete over the whole weekend from all over Victoria.



The rowing program will be commencing in Term 4 again and we are exited to welcome new rowers (we will have both a girls and boys team this season). A 'learn to row' program will be held in term three for all of the newcomers. I strongly encourage all students to try it.

Please watch the video <u>here</u> that was filmed at head of school girls for a little taster!









### **Careers Bulletin**

Welcome to the Careers Bulletin. Please click on each post-it note for more information. (Please note - you need an APC account to view). The links will redirect you to the Careers Bulletin on the Senior Years HUB.



#### A Day at Melbourne

Explore Melbourne University and find out more about the range of study options available.



#### William Angliss Institute's Tourism, Travel and Events Workshop

The workshop is a hands-on introduction to the travel and tourism industry via an on-site amazing race-style activity.



## Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admissions Test

Students planning to apply for tertiary study in medicine and the health sciences in 2017 may need to complete the UMAT.



#### Monash University Inside Monash Seminars

The seminars are designed to give prospective students insight into studying at Monash University.



#### **Officiating Course**

School Sports Australia are offering APC students the opportunity to participate in an officiating course for the skills and knowledge to referee/umpire basketball or AFL matches.
Only \$15!



#### Picture Perfect! Job Interview Seminar

The IMVC are offering a free workshop on how to improve your eligibility for job interviews.



### **Exciting Employment Opportunity**

Domino's Port Melbourne are recruiting part time employees for their eBike Riding team.



#### **Work Experience**

Year 10 students: start planning your work experience placement! Work experience is taking place from November 28th – December 2nd. Click here for forms and instructions.



### Call for Work Experience Providers

We are creating a work experience database, if you work in a workplace that would be willing to help please click here.

### Parliamentary excursion







On Wednesday the 2nd of March, our Unit 1&2 VCE Legal Studies class attended an excursion to the Parliament of Victoria in Melbourne CBD. We gained a real-world insight into the processes that go into making a law. My peers and I had a clear understanding of the roles in parliament after the presentation and then had the opportunity to role play the law making decision in the Upper House. It was a wonderful experience and I would recommend it to anyone. A big thanks to Ms Langdon for organising the excursion.

by Sienna Withington

#### **Chess tournament**

On the 10th March APC participated in an inter school chess tournament. Six schools wew present in the tournament and we finished runners up, a fantastic achievement for the team!

Daniel Roisman qualified for the Secondary Open State Finals, he came third in the Year 7-8 group. Sasha Anderson also qualified for the Secondary Open State Finals, he came second in the Year 11-12 group. The finals will be held later in the year.

Congratulations to Daniel and Sasha!



### **French News**

#### New Caledonia French Immersion Study Tour Berthe Mouchette Poetry Competition **Confirmed - Deposits due April 22**

The study tour had been approved for the following dates: 10-17 September 2016. This date has changed from previous correspondence, so please update your calendars.

There will be an information session about the study tour at school on the first Tuesday back after the holidays, 12 April from 5:30-6:30pm. Students who wish to come will need to pay a \$1,000 deposit by 18 April 2016. Parents are also welcome to come and to study, and a similar deposit will be required. To create a fee on your account for this, we need to ensure that you have expressed interest via this google form. This form can only be accessed with your son or daughter's APC account login. Merci to those who have already done so.

The total cost of the trip will be \$2,700. There may be a slight difference depending on those who choose full hotel accommodation or those who opt for 3 nights in homestay accommodation. Please note your interest in homestay in the google form. Students will be on their own in the homestay, but will see their teachers and classmates during the days at school. This should be a great balance for younger students. Included in the cost are all flights, transfers, 12 hours of immersion classes, accommodation, great meals, entry fees to all museums and other activities. Please complete the expression of interest now if you haven't already.

Et on y va!



Thanks to all the parents who have encouraged their children to take part in this poetry competition. Could you please check Compass as the \$12.20 fee needs to be paid by the first day back next term. Merci.

#### Year 12 and La Belle Epoque

Year 12 students recently had a presenter on La Belle Epoque as part of their VCE studies. Marilyne Lopez, a French national and historian who now lives in Melbourne was very impressed with the level of comprehension and the intelligent questions asked by the students. Félicitations.



#### French film festival

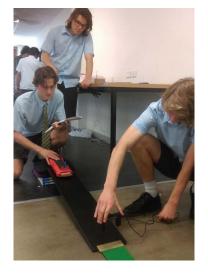
Over the last few weeks students from Year 8 to Year 12 have had the opportunity to enjoy a selection of films from the French film festival. Below are some of our extension students analysing language from the script of the film Belle et Sébastien: L'aventure continue.



### **Science Snapshot**

Have a look at what is happening in Science!



















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### **Sea Shepherd Excursion**

The Year 12 Politics class recently visited Sea Shepherd in Williamstown to learn about illegal fishing and whaling around the world. We discussed the ability of Sea Shepherd to stop this using their direct action approach. Students had the opportunity to view videos detailing the arrest of illegal fishing vessels and ask questions of experienced campaigner Vincent Burke. We were then able to assess the power of Sea Shepherd to achieve their aims.



"Our year 12 global politics class politics got the chance to visit Sea Shepherd in Williamstown to talk to Vincent, a member of the non- governmental environmental organisation. We got an in depth explanation of the organisation and its history as well as a personal account of Sea Shepherd's own strengths and weaknesses. The discussion with Vincent not only helped us with our own studies but also gave us a more general understanding of the important environmental and animal rights issue of whaling that we face as Australians."

by Emma Rossignol.

### Ride2School

On the morning of Friday 11 of March, 115 students at Albert Park College actively transported to school for APC's first Ride2School day. They were welcomed at the courtyard with a healthy breakfast to commend them for their efforts and get them through a full day of learning. Some of these students cycle, walk or skateboard on a regular basis, and others dusted off their bikes the night before to take part in the event.

Students that actively transported to school were also able to take part in a draw for a brand new bike! The winner of the bike was Grace Kelly in year 12.

APC's first Ride2School day was a great success and we hope to hold more events in the future to support physical activity and decrease the school's carbon footprint! Well done to all who participated in the event!



### APC bike WORKSHOP

Dear students,

Come down to the APC workshop (room 3) on Tuesday lunchtimes for support, advice and access to tools to keep your bicycle in tip top shape!

Cycling is a quick, healthy & stress free way to get around and this workshop is aimed at getting you on and keeping you on your bike.

So if you need a little air in your tyres, have a squeak driving you crazy, or if you have had a growth spurt which means you are pedaling with your knees up around your ears, come on down.

//Mr. Pye and Ms. Chang

### **Keys please**

On Tuesday the 23rd of February, the Year 10 cohort were enlightened on how to obtain their driving licences all the way from their L plates to their full license. Earl from VicRoads walked everyone through the steps of how they should first obtain their leaders permit before talking about the different stages of driving you should be completing on your L plates which we know have learnt range from driving in a car park to driving on three or four lane highways. We also learned what we could and couldn't do on our P plates and how we are the most dangerous motorist as soon as you get on your P's.



Earl drove (pun intended) some students through a driving simulation to demonstrate how many distractions there are on the road. All in all everyone learnt something new and was even more eager to start learning to drive.

by Nicholas Neales

### **Gravitational Waves at APC**

On the 18th of March, Albert Park College was privileged enough to have Nicole Darman come and speak to our students. Nicole is one of the researchers who have recently confirmed the existence of gravitational waves.

Gravitational waves are ripples in spacetime, that can be detected as they move through the earth, slightly elongating and then compressing the planet. These waves have huge implications for the future exploration of the universe, potentially even being able to help learn what happens inside a black hole. In order to detect these waves several million dollar observatories, named LIGO, have been built, designed to detect the slightest variation in the earth being stretched or squashed due to gravitational waves.

Hearing of the scale of the feat in order for this discovery to be made really pushed the boundaries of what we believed they could do in potentially a future science career. Even just hearing Nicole speak with such incredible passion and enthusiasm about her research, many students became noticeably delighted and intrigued. It was an absolute honour and pleasure to have her speak to the students of Albert Park College.

by Graydon Cannavan-Forbes



### **APC Families Dates for Term 2**

#### **APC Families Drinks at The Beach, Albert Park**

All welcome to join us and get to know other parents & carers at:

The Beach (bar & restaurant)
97 Beaconsfield Parade, Albert Park
Wednesday 20th April
7.30pm

#### **APC Families Coffee Morning**

The coffee morning is on at the school cafe at 8.30am the last Friday of every month. The next one will be on 29th April. Come along for a cuppa and a chance to catch up with other parents and carers. All welcome to attend.

#### **Second Hand Uniform**

The second hand uniform stall will be held on Monday 18th April between 8.30am and 9.30am in the courtyard.

Donations of clean, current and "in good condition" items of uniform would be most appreciated.

All money raised goes back to the school.

If you have any queries at all don't hesitate to contact us at apc.families@gmail.com







#### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

#### MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef





# Cyber Smarts-Using social media wisely Andrew Fuller

You have access to the world's largest museum, art gallery, library and social group ever created. You also have access to ways to expand your intelligence and your influence that your past generations could have never imagined.

To gain these massive benefits you need to have your wits about you and know how to use technology and social media wisely.

#### Accountability

Being completely anonymous online is a thing of the past. Anything that you share on social media, publicly or privately, can be tracked back to you and you may be held accountable for sharing it.

#### Always use the "Nana" rule

If you wouldn't want your nana, parents, teachers, or future employer to see something, don't share it on social media.

#### Illegal Content

There are some things that are entirely illegal to share on social media. Threatening posts and messages or "sexting" a nude photo of an underage person-- even if that person is *you*-can lead to legal action and police involvement.

#### **Privacy Settings**

#### **Know Your Audience**

Know exactly who can see a post, picture or tweet before you share it. If total strangers can see all of your information, pictures, and everything you post, they can use this information to track you or to hack your profile.

#### **Public versus Private**

Privacy settings allow you to share appropriate content with friends and family while making sure that strangers can't access your information. Carefully choose what information you want people that you don't know to see when they view your social media profiles.

#### Private Isn't "Secret"

Just because you have a piece of information, a photo, or a post set to "private" doesn't mean that it can't be shared with others. While privacy settings make it more difficult for others to see things you don't want them to see, people inside your private network can still share photos and screenshots outside of the network.

### Strangers & Online Friends Know the Site

Some sites, like Twitter and Tumblr, are known for allowing people to connect and discuss art, music, politics and ideas with people from all over the world. Other social media applications, like Facebook and Snapchat, are almost always used exclusively for friends and family. Understand the culture of the social network before you join-- it will help you make smart decisions about who to connect with.

#### Who to Friend

Strangers will occasionally send you friend requests on Facebook. Sometimes, they might even be from halfway around the world! No matter who they are or what they say, don't accept friend requests on Facebook from individuals that you don't know. Most people have a lot of personal information available on Facebook, and these strangers are looking for that information-- not a new friend.

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#### Don't trust everyone

Online friends can be valuable members of your social network— if they really are who they say they are. The Internet can be a great place to make friends with similar interests and from all over the world, but it is also full of people who are looking to take advantage of you.

#### Verify identity

Take action to make sure that anyone you interact with online is really who they say they are. Google's "reverse image search" can be used to check if a photo is really of that person, or if they stole it from an online source. Real people usually have fleshed-out profiles, visible interactions with friends and family members and lots of available photos.

#### Security

#### Secure passwords

Create a secure password keeps your identity secure, your personal information safe, and your accounts from being hacked. Choose a password that only you could think of, using information that isn't readily available on your online profiles. Every password should include both uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers and special symbols (!@#\$%^\*).

#### Choose your security questions wisely

Sites often use security questions to help you reset a forgotten password. Hackers can use information on your social media profiles to easily answer these questions and gain access to your accounts. Choose security questions with answers that cannot be discovered by a quick scroll through your Facebook profile.

#### **Location Tracking:**

Any time you upload a photo online, there's a chance that your location can be tracked through it. Most phones and cameras have GPS installed, and the information of your location can be found in the data of pictures taken on these devices.

Websites can also track your location via your IP address.

#### Hackers

Most hackers use clues on your social media to discover your passwords and account details-- or they may pretend to be someone that they're not to convince you to tell them your information directly.

#### If You Think You've Been Hacked

Change your passwords immediately; delete any posts that anyone else may have published on your account, and let your social network friends know not to any suspicious messages from you.

#### **Feeling Safe**

#### Cyber bullying

Harassing threatening or intimidating someone else online is known as cyber bullying and it's illegal.

#### If You're Being Cyber bullied

Don't respond to any messages or posts that make you feel unsafe-- use your computer's screenshot function to take a picture of the message and show it to an adult that you trust.

#### **Blocking Features**

Most social networking sites have a block feature that can prevent another user from contacting you any further. Learn to use the block feature to stop a cyber bully in their tracks.

#### **Reporting Harassment**

Many websites allow their users to report other users who are sending harassing messages. Doing so may lead to the cyber bully's account being disabled.

#### When to talk to an adult

Any time someone has made you feel unsafe online, it's a good idea to talk to an adult about how to handle it.

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