College Mission . . .

Building on a foundation of Christian values, the mission of Aitken College is to enable students to become informed and compassionate members of the wider community by inspiring academic achievement and creativity, nurturing self worth, encouraging environmental responsibility and committing to service with and for others.

Important Diary Dates for 2013

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Term dates for 2013

| Term 3 | 22 July to 20 September |
| Term 4 | 7 October to 11 December |

Thought: “Knowledge advances by steps, not by leaps.” Lord Macaulay

From the Principal

I wish students, staff and families a well deserved mid-year break. A time to take stock, read a good book, see a movie, catch up with friends, refresh and look forward to the second half of the year.

Parents can access semester reports through the Community portal. It has been most pleasing to read of the efforts and progress made by many students. I encourage parents to take time to read comments and discuss these with your children. Setting goals for the second semester should provide some focus.

The College’s annual report, as required to meet our Federal Government Funding obligations and as meets the requirements of the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority, is on the College website. You may collect a hard copy from Reception if you wish.

Gonski, Gonski wherefore art thou Gonski? The Federal Government sees school funding (Gonski reforms) as a core election strategy, which is why it has become a major political issue. However, what is being proposed is not all Gonski, but rather the Government’s version of Gonski. The uncertainty created is frustrating. What is hoped is that there is certainty and equity provided to all schools regarding funding. This is to ensure that school budgets can be planned well in advance, not from year to year, but to allow for 8-10 year forecasts, especially in planning for capital works.

It was pleasing to see that the Victorian Government, in its negotiations with the Federal Government on school funding, has as its key features:

- substantial additional investment ($3.5 billion over six years) nominated for public and non-government schools.
- a fair funding distribution that leaves no school worse off.
- a co-operative partnership with the Independent and Catholic school sectors.

Parents who decide to send their children to Independent schools do so because they are self-managed and provide educational choice and meet families’ cultural, religious and social needs.

We say farewell to the following staff, who will commence parental leave; Ms Julie Brown, Mrs Emma Dowling, Mrs Natasha Radley and Ms Juliana Spaleta. We wish them all the best as they await their new bundles of joy.
Mr Grant Clifton will be taking Long Service Leave during Term 3. We also farewell Ms Maureen Webb, College Accountant and wish her well in her retirement.

The following staff will be joining us in Term 3: Mr Ben Lawless - Year 6 teacher, Mr Luis Alvarez-Harris - PE teacher, Mr Dean Taylor - Science/PE teacher, Ms Georgia Thorneycroft - Year 1 teacher, Mr John Ioannou - Maths teacher and Mrs Anna Pavlou - College Accountant.

The National Solar Schools Program

The National Solar Schools Program provided funding to primary and secondary schools to install solar and other renewable power systems, rainwater tanks and a range of energy efficiency measures.

Our school received $100,000 to install solar panels, water tanks, external blinds and upgrade lighting.

Through this funding, we have received a range of benefits including: improving our energy efficiency, educating students about renewable energy through using real data from our solar power system, reducing our electricity costs etc. The Australian Government’s Living Greener website also provides some great tips for households to reduce their energy consumption. For further information go to: www.livinggreener.gov.au/energy

Term 2 Parents and Friends Raffle Winners

The raffle was drawn by representatives from the Parents and Friends Association in conjunction with the Principal and the lucky winners are:

1st Prize - Chris Perera  
2nd Prize - Dilan Aldatmaz  
3rd Prize - Megan Solomon  
4th Prize - Litsa Calafiore  
5th Prize - Kaylin Acar  
6th Prize - Diana Faulkner  
7th Prize - Taylor Ceniti  
8th Prize - Yioula Tsavalias

Thank you for supporting the work of the Parents and Friends Association.

Term 3 Tuition Fees

Parents are reminded that Term 3 tuition fees are due by Friday, 26 July. Term 3 statements are being mailed this week. Please contact the Accounts office if not received, or if there are any queries. An administration fee of $55.00 per Term will be charged for late payments unless prior arrangements have been made with the Finance Manager.

From the Deputy Principal

Parenting your children is a challenge for all parents and it is reassuring to know that you are not alone and that expert advice is readily available. We have often recommended the Parenting Ideas website hosted by well-known educator, Michael Grose at: www.parentingideas.com.au. Michael is presenting a special session in Melbourne on Saturday, 3 August. Details are included at the end of this newsletter. If you register, you can do so at a discounted rate by entering the discount code VIP when you book tickets or phone the Parenting Ideas office and mention the College’s name.

I wish all families an enjoyable and safe holiday break.

VCAL News

Part of the curriculum in the VCAL program involves students completing the Duke of Edinburgh Award. The Award has three levels – Bronze, Silver and Gold. VCAL students begin at the recommended Bronze Level. To achieve any level, students must undertake activities in the following four sections: Physical Recreation; Skill (learning something new); Community Service (voluntary) and an Adventurous Journey (VCAL camps).
VCAL students complete the weekly Physical Recreation component in normal class time at the College which is expertly conducted by Mrs Chris Pocervina, who is a qualified fitness trainer and Head of the Physical Education Faculty. The VCAL students’ goal for Semester One was to keep fit by completing specialised fitness programs which included weight training, boxing, circuit training, basketball and indoor hockey. The students have been challenged and motivated into seeing fitness as a necessary tool for everyday life.

Mrs Jenny Lilley
VCAL Co-ordinator

VET News

VET Subjects at Aitken College in 2014: As we move towards the end of Term 2 and the semester break, I thought it best to let you know about the exciting VET (Vocational Education and Training) options on offer to students next year, so that you can discuss them with your children over the holidays before they make their subject selections for next year.

I am very proud of the opportunities on offer at Aitken College for student participation and learning within the VET framework, with clear career pathways on offer to students.

One new course is being offered to students this year, with the total VET courses at Aitken College now nine. If your child completes all required competencies in a Year 9 or Year 10 VET course they will receive a nationally recognised VET qualification. If your child completes both years of a VCE VET course, they will receive a nationally recognised VET qualification and a contribution to their ATAR.

Here is a quick breakdown of the courses on offer:

**Year 9:**
- Music elective - Certificate I in Creative Industries
- Agriculture elective - Certificate I in Conservation and Land Management

**Year 10:**
- Music electives - Certificate II in Music
- Agriculture elective - Certificate I in Conservation and Land Management

**VCE VET Year 11 and 12:**
- NEW Certificate II in Agriculture
- Certificate III in Music
- Certificate II in Business
- Certificate II in Hospitality (external course)
- Certificate III in Music - Technical Production
- Certificate II and III in Sport and Recreation

**Year 9: Music elective - Certificate I in Creative Industries.** This course continues to offer your child the opportunity to learn musical skills and perform music, but upon successful completion of the elective, it now has the additional benefit of providing your child with a VET certificate. This course runs as a semester long elective and will be offered in both semesters; if your child is interested in this course, they should select it only once.

**Year 10: Music electives - Certificate II in Music.** This elective program has been modified slightly to offer students the opportunity to gain a VET certificate whilst working towards an end of year concert and learning skills in performance and production. The course will run as two semester long electives; Semester 1: ‘Music and Me’ and Semester 2: ‘The Big Gig’. Your child can select one of the two electives and gain a statement of attainment for the competencies that they learn in one semester, but **if your child wishes to successfully complete the Certificate II in Music, they must select both electives, ‘Music and Me’ in Semester 1 and ‘The Big Gig’ in Semester 2.**

**Year 10: Agriculture elective - Certificate I in Conservation and Land Management.** The Year 10 Agriculture and Horticulture elective has been extremely popular in the past, allowing your child the opportunity to explore and preserve the natural environment, whilst learning practical skills. This course will continue to do all of those things, but as an added bonus, your child can obtain a VET certificate upon successful completion of the elective course. This course runs as a semester long elective and will be offered in both semesters; if your child is interested in this course, they should select it only once.

**All of the following subjects are VCE VET courses completed during Year 11 and Year 12**

**VCE VET - Certificate II in Business:** Rather than focusing on the theoretical skills that underpin the business world, this course offers your child the chance to learn and implement practical skills that are necessary for work in any
business or office environment; giving them a head start in their future career. The program includes communicating in the workplace, organising work activities, producing word processed business documents, using business technology and creating and using spreadsheets, whilst promoting innovation and design. The Certificate II in Business is completed in Year 11 and selected units of competency from the Certificate III in Business are undertaken in Year 12. Successful completion of this two year course offers your child a Certificate II and a statement of attainment for the Certificate III and an ATAR contribution as a 1-4 subject through scored assessment.

**VCE VET - Certificate II in Agriculture:** If your child undertook the Agriculture elective in Year 10, I would highly recommend this course, as it is a continuation of the understanding, knowledge and skills developed during that time. This subject provides students with enhanced employment prospects in the agriculture industry. Students will develop skills and knowledge in workplace health and safety, farm maintenance, animal husbandry and machinery and equipment operation. Aitken College is lucky to have a rich and diverse landscape within the school grounds that allows students to learn in a practical environment, putting their land management skills to the test every lesson. This course does not involve scored assessment, so it can only be counted as a fifth or sixth subject for your child’s ATAR, contributing 10% of their subject 1-4 average if both years of the course are completed; due to this, there is no school assessed coursework in either year of the course and no end of year exam in Year 12.

**VCE VET - Certificate II in Hospitality (external course) Front of House/Kitchen Operations:** This course provides students with the knowledge and practical skills to achieve competencies that will enhance their employment in the hospitality or hospitality-related industries. Students can choose between two courses, one that develops front of house skills and one that specialises in kitchen operations. These courses are run externally through an arrangement with a TAFE institution, such as Kangan, William Angliss or Victoria University, with classes normally running on a Wednesday afternoon, meaning that your child would miss half of their classes on that day. An enrolment fee of approximately $1,500 - $2,000 is charged to you across your Term 1-3 accounts each year of the two year course; Government funding received in Term 3 allows the school to refund approximately 50% of those fees to you each year. This course involves scored assessment in Year 12 and can contribute to your child’s ATAR as a 1-4 subject.

**VCE VET - Certificate III in Music:** If your child is a skilled performer or composer and has aspirations to work in the performance industry as a professional musician, song writer, composer, arranger, or instrumentalist, this is the course for them. This course develops knowledge, understanding and skills within the musical framework, such as preparing for performances, developing improvisation skills, extending technical skills in performance, operating a sound mixing console, editing sound using digital systems and expanding skills in critical listening. Successful completion of this two year course offers your child a Certificate III and an ATAR contribution as a 1-4 subject through scored assessment.

**VCE VET - Certificate III in Music - Technical Production:** Your child does not have to be musically gifted to take this course, as they will learn about the production aspect of performances, such as editing, mixing, equipment operations and sound management. This subject provides students with the practical skills and knowledge to record, mix and edit sound sources leading to career pathways in the music industry in areas such as sound track laying, digital editing and mixing, audio visual equipment operations and stage management. Successful completion of this two year course offers your child a Certificate III and an ATAR contribution as a 1-4 subject through scored assessment.

**VCE VET - Certificate II and III in Sport and Recreation:** There is no VCE course at Aitken College that can offer your child more than VCE VET Sport and Recreation. If your child were to complete all competencies successfully across the two years of study they would receive the Certificate II and III in Sport and Recreation and an ATAR contribution as a 1-4 subject through scored assessment. This course provides your child with the knowledge and skills that will enhance their employment prospects in the sport and recreation industries, in areas such as sports administration, event management and promotions, facility maintenance - leisure/aquatic centres, amusement parks and theme parks, fitness instructing, physical education teacher and lifeguarding. The program includes assisting in preparing and conducting sport and recreation sessions, working effectively in sport and recreation environments and responding to emergency situations.

For students who wish to undertake a VCE VET program as part of their VCE studies, it is recommended that students choose a maximum of two VCE VET courses.

If you have any questions, or would like further information about any of these courses, please email me at: mpatchell@aitkencollege.edu.au

**VCAL and VET Business Structured Workplace Learning (SWL):** In the final week of Term 3 and during the semester break, all VCAL students and Year 11 VET Business students will be undertaking a Structured Workplace Learning placement. These placements allow students the opportunity to gain valuable experience, where they implement the practical skills they have learnt in their VET course in a real working environment. Students and teachers have worked extremely hard since the beginning of the year to source appropriate placements with businesses in the local community. Placements are interesting and diverse, ranging from being a keeper at the Ballarat Wildlife Park to learning the inner-workings of a pharmacy.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work of Mrs Jenny Lilley, Miss Megan Dixon and Mr Nigel Hamilton, who have all worked tirelessly with the students to coordinate and organise student SWL placements.
In Term 3, I will provide you with an update of how the students went and what experiences they had at their placements.

Mr Michael Patchell
VET Co-ordinator

Glenarthur School Notices

It has been pleasant to read in the Semester One reports of our students’ steady application. The many comments about their diligence and positive manner say much for parental advice and encouragement. It is not too late for others to commence Semester Two anew, determined to do their best and earn the education that is offered through your efforts. Perhaps the children could write down three goals they wish to achieve in Semester Two, and post these in a conspicuous place for regular reminder. A quiet study area and personal organisation are invaluable.

Semester One reports will come home via the parent portal on Friday, 28 June. A note for your diary: Parent-Teacher interviews on 13 and 22 August.

A special thank you to all the families who donated warm blankets and manchester to Lantara for distribution to some of the most vulnerable, in our community. A special and moving presentation was made by Carmel Murphy and Mahadi about the struggles of refugees and asylum seekers in our community.

House Sports: Our thanks to Ms Brown and the Physical Education staff for organising the House Sports activities this week. It was good to see the enthusiastic participation of many on such a lovely sunny winter day.

Glenarthur City Experience: All Year 9 students will be attending the City Experience program in September; a detailed ebooklet will be given to students in Term 3. Please read and discuss with your child and then return the various parent consent and updated medical details forms to the Homeroom teacher. These permission and medical forms will be given to students at the end of this term. Students are to give their mobile phone number to their Homeroom teacher early in Term 3; these numbers are for attendance and safety procedures; the numbers will be deleted after the program ends. We really do thank you for your support in this undertaking.

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Congratulations to all Year 8 and 9 students who performed so creditably in Performing Arts events this week. Your ability and commitment to the task are praiseworthy.

In August, students choose their electives for 2014. Web-site guides and access passwords will be given to students in Term 3. Heads of Faculty are available for advice and will also speak at assemblies.

Wishing a safe and restful holiday to all our College families.

Mrs Elpis Vlahopoulos
Acting Head of Glenarthur

Dunhelen School Notices

What a wonderful Semester One we have had. The time has gone so fast and it really is hard to believe that already half a year in Dunhelen school life has gone. I would like to congratulate all the students on their behaviour and I hope that many of them will be pleased with the results and comments they have obtained in their reports. For those who are not so pleased, perhaps use this time to think about how you can better your performance and make a wonderful attempt in Semester Two.

Your child’s report will be available via the parent portal on Friday, 28 June. I encourage parents to read through and discuss it with their child.

As many of you are aware, Mrs Dowling will be going on parental leave at the end of Term 2. On behalf of Dunhelen, I wish Mrs Dowling and her family all the very best as they await the birth of their child. Mr Ben Lawless will be the new Homeroom Teacher of 6D.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Dunhelen parents for a wonderful first Semester. It has been wonderful getting to know you and your children and I look forward to working with you again in Semester Two.

I must also thank the very dedicated and hardworking Homeroom Teachers of Dunhelen: Mrs Dowling and Mr Keegan; Mr Adams, Ms Koukoullides, Ms Seivers, Ms Simpson and Mr Prentice. They work very hard every day and I thank them on behalf of myself and the students.

I wish all of the Dunhelen community a safe and very happy three-week break. Whether you are travelling or at home I wish you a safe, relaxing and enjoyable break. I look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready to go for Semester Two. Enjoy the holidays!

Mrs Francis Scuderi & Mr Ben Prentice
Head and Assistant Head of Dunhelen
Cumberland School Notices

Our 14th House Spelling Competition was held last week. Congratulations to all students who formed the House teams, with special congratulations to Millar House. Brodie House was 2nd, Clarke 3rd and Cameron 4th. The Millar team comprised of Filipe Filihia, Kellie Greig, Jayden Perumal, Cheyanne Fuller, Thomas Crowley and Alyssa McKenzie.

A special component of Year 3 is the strings program. It is such a great opportunity for the children to experience playing a stringed instrument and 3B were able to showcase their talents earlier this week.

*Pictured is Sarah who enjoyed her semester playing the cello*

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the picture storybooks are due in at the beginning of Term 3. They will be judged by the class teacher in the first instance and some will go through to the next round to be judged by other staff. The most popular books will be announced during Book Week.

Also in the last newsletter I mentioned Maths Week. This was an error, as it does not occur until Term 4. Obviously, I am trying to make the year go too quickly!

I hope that all Cumberland children and staff a relaxing holiday. There is much to be done in Term 3 so rest up.

Ms Barbara Wyatt
Head of Cumberland

Fairview School Notices

Students have finished another busy term and I am sure they are all very excited! Some students will be looking forward to a holiday either near or far, others perhaps a trip to a warmer climate or, like me, a holiday in marvellous Melbourne! Regardless of the situation it is a time to relax, unwind and recharge batteries. In making reference to my last Newsletter entry, hopefully this can be a time for parents to spend quality time with your child/ren and ‘stop and smell the roses’; a time for reflection.

Students of Fairview have participated in different activities this term. Prep students have enjoyed a day at the Bundoora Farm looking at farm animals. Year 1 students recently visited the Cosmo Dome, an incursion that explores the solar system, day and night, and the planets around us. Year 2 students have enjoyed science experiments that have been a feature of their Integrated Studies topic, Transport. They have explored gravity, propulsion, friction and buoyancy. Looking at the calendar for next term students can look forward to the annual visit from the Life Education mobile classroom. A favourite for many students is Harold the giraffe: the Life Education mascot.

As always, at the end of a semester written school reports are compiled. These reports are a reflection of the past semester and provide feedback on student performance, and future learning goals. Please read these reports carefully as teachers devote many hours in producing them. There will be an opportunity in Term 3 for parents to respond during Parent Teacher Interviews.

We wish Mrs Natasha Radley well as she takes parental leave from Monday, 22 July. We wish her and her husband all the best for the safe arrival of their new born. We welcome Ms Georgia Thorneycroft who will replace Mrs Radley. Georgia has spent time with 1R recently and has planned with Mrs Adams to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.

Ms Neophytou will return after the holidays. On her behalf, I would like to wish all members of the Fairview community a relaxing, safe and enjoyable break. Towards the end of the third week of the holidays, please be mindful in helping to ‘reset’ the sleeping and eating routines of the students. It can take a few days to readjust to these routines. Hopefully all students will return refreshed and eager to learn on Monday, 22 July.

Mr Ashley Penny
Head of Primary Curriculum
(Acting Head of Fairview)

Chaplains Corner

Students encounter much pressure around exam and assessment time. Whilst a lot of the stress they experience is generated from their own anxiety, there is also a significant amount of pressure on them to ‘do well’ for their parents. Wanting the best for your child, and wanting the best out of your child, are very different things. If a child is happy and feeling loved they will reach for their potential, if they are feeling more like a commodity that produces results for their parents, then they are more likely to become less motivated and not achieve their best. If your child is not happy with their results, perhaps now is a good time to reassure them of your love regardless of results; they then may open up to you as to why they are not happy with what they achieved this semester.

Your teenagers are growing; they will need a lot of sleep these holidays, especially if they have been staying up studying lately. Teenagers may become nocturnal during the holidays, this is fairly normal behaviour. So if your teenager sits up playing games to all hours and then wants to sleep until 2.00pm, just know you are not the only parent experiencing this. Here is a suggestion: there are three weeks in this holiday break, perhaps negotiate with your teenager that the first half are sleep in days and the second half are adjusting back into routine.
I will be praying that you all have a safe and happy holiday break! God Bless.

Rev Jeanne Beale
Chaplain

Physical Education News

Year 5/6 AFL Day: On Friday, 31 May the Year 5/6 AFL team travelled to Jacana Reserve to compete in the Gladstone Park West District Football Carnival. We played 3 qualifying games. Our first game was against the Jacana cats. A convincing win first up!

Aitken College 7.4 46 v Jacana Cats 0.0 0; Goals: Brandon Hay 4, Joshua Dittmer 1, Liam Marie 1, Gerry Corby 1

Our second game was against Gladstone Park. We were successful again, winning a close game.

Aitken College 3.4 22 v Gladstone Park 2.2 14; Goals: Joshua Dittmer 1, Joshua Noone 1, Jacob Looi 1

Our final qualifying game to earn a spot in the grand final was against Good Shepherd. We scored a 13 point victory.

Aitken College 3.4 22 v Good Shepherd 1.3 9; Goals: Joshua Dittmer 1, Lachlan Papley 1, Michael Nasser 1

This pitted us against West Meadows. They have won this competition every year for the past five years. It was always going to be a big challenge. We played some very exciting and desperate football, but unfortunately lost to a very good West Meadows team by 8 points.

Aitken College 2.2 14 v West Meadows 3.4 22; Goals: Michael Nasser 1, Declan Harvey 1

Our best player for the carnival was Year 6 student Joshua Dittmer. An Encouragement award went to Blake Crowley for his tireless efforts. Our leading goal kickers for the day were Joshua Dittmer and Brandon Hay with 4 goals each.

I would like to thank all students for their efforts on the day. The boys and girls who participated are to be commended. The students were very well behaved, showed dignity when they lost and always shook hands with the opposition regardless of the result. Thank you to the parents who came and supported on the day.

Mr Stephen Brewer and Mr Ben Prentice
Football Coaches

Primary Interschool Cross Country: On Thursday, 13 June, twenty students represented Aitken College at the Hume Division Cross Country Championship held at Bundoora Park. All students are to be commended for their effort and enthusiasm in very trying wintry Melbourne conditions. Outstanding results from the races were as follows; with the listed students also progressing through to the Northern Metropolitan Region Cross Country Championships which were held on Wednesday, 19 June at Bundoora Park.

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Congratulations once again to the above students who should be very proud of their efforts. I would also like to thank the many parents who came to both events to support our students.

Ms Brigitte Seivers
Primary Sports Co-ordinator

Year 7/8 Galway Gala Day: Results from the Year 7/8 Galway Gala Day held on Wednesday, 19 June.

Hockey: Girls Lost both games 1-0 to Braemar College and 1-0 to Bacchus Marsh Grammar
Boys Aitken v Braemar College drew 1-1

Aitken were on the back foot early on, and went down 1-0 early in the first half. However, we came back strongly; having several solid shots at goal that narrowly missed. Aitken began the second half fighting and did not let up until Elijah Coory hit it into the back of the net. The rest of the game was hard fought from both sides, but the defence stood strong and there was no further score.

Aitken v Bacchus Marsh Grammar 0-3 loss

Aitken were overpowered by Bacchus Marsh all over the field. However, best on ground for Aitken was goal keeper, Christopher Stoios.

Well done to the whole team for a persistent effort, their marking of players was outstanding and they never gave up. You made me proud boys. Well done! Rev Jeanne Beale

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Boys Soccer

Lost 3-1 to Sacred Heart, Won 3-1 against Bacchus Marsh Grammar, Won 7-0 against Candlebark, Won 12-1 against Southern Cross Grammar

On a bitterly cold morning, the Year 7 and Year 8 boys’ soccer team travelled to Langama Reserve, Sunbury to compete in the first round of the Galway winter soccer competition against six other schools from the region. Like the weather, Aitken College were caught cold in their first game against Sacred Heart. A lack of defensive pressure led to an opposition striker running in on goal and scoring early in the game. Minutes later, a well-weighted cross from Oliver Kubilay meant that Thomas Litver was able to decisively power home a header at the far post and level the score; but the defence was culpable again just before half time when a mix-up in communication meant Sacred Heart ran in unopposed to lead 2-1 at the break. Aitken College battled hard in the second half, but another moment of confusion in defence lead to Sacred Heart finishing 3-1 winners.

A change of personnel in defence and a change of formation resulted in a much better performance from Aitken College in their second game against Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Oliver Kubilay displayed neat passing to set up numerous scoring opportunities, while Daniel Mudrinic worked tirelessly in front on his own. At half time the game was 1-1 even though Aitken College had dominated possession and territory. They gradually wore the opposition down in the second half and were able to finish chances that were created to end up 3-1 winners.

The remaining two games were against much weaker opposition and Aitken College was able to create, squander and finish some of the numerous opportunities presented to them in both matches. The boys notched a 7-0 victory against Candlebark and were 12-1 winners against Southern Cross Grammar.

The next round of competition in Term 3 will see Aitken College up against Braemar College and Gilson College, two of the better teams in the league. Hopefully we can win both to set up a final against Sacred Heart College to rectify the poor display in our first game.

Players of note on the day were Oliver Kubilay and Thomas Litver who worked tirelessly in central midfield, supported by Tolga Cagdas. Robert Camuglia added solidity to the defence after moving there for the second game and Daniel Mudrinic always provided an option when playing the solitary striker’s role. Mr Michael Patchell

Girls Soccer

Lost 1-0 to Braemar College, Won 1-0 to Gilson College, Drew 1-1 with Sacred Heart College

Boys Football

Aitken v Sacred Heart College - lost (37-15), Aitken v Bacchus Marsh Grammar - won (71-9), Aitken v Braemar College - lost (51-16)

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Congratulations to all competitors and staff for their efforts on the day and we look forward to the second round next term on 14 August.

Mr Damien Zanic
Galway Gala Day Co-ordinator

House Sports: The end of semester House sports days were held this week in beautiful, sunny conditions. Students were able to participate in a variety of sports such as netball, handball, soccer and basketball.

The results from the day:

**Dunhelen House Sports:**

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Overall winners:

1. Cameron - 92 pts
2. Brodie - 32 pts
3. Millar - 30 pts
4. Clarke - 16 pts
Glenarthur House sports:

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Overall winners:
1. Brodie - 50 pts
2. Millar - 44 pts
3. Clarke - 44 pts
4. Cameron - 40 pts

Well done to everyone involved, your enthusiasm and enjoyment make the event even better.

Ms Julie Brown
House Sports Co-ordinator

Visual Arts News

Illustrator - Elsie Hirst: A group of 45 students who study Visual Communication and Design in Year 8 and Year 12 had the opportunity to attend a presentation by illustrator Elise Hirst recently. Students learnt about the design process and how Elise finds inspiration for her illustrations and the process of making them into amazing pictures for cards, calendars, original artworks and books. One of the most valuable messages for students was to hear how much Elise loves her work and that there are many ways to make a career from studying Art and Design. The Library has books illustrated by Elise.

Year 9 Excursion to the National Gallery of Victoria: A group of 13 Year 9 Art students, under the supervision of Mrs Camilleri had the privilege in visiting the National Gallery of Victoria on Friday, 17 May. It was an amazing experience, despite having to complete a worksheet. We got to roam the buildings looking at exquisite pieces of art and strange ones as well, such as a glitter suit. We even had a chance to buy our lunch at the expensive food court at Southbank! We all had an amazing time, looking at master pieces, from both the Australian and International galleries and there is truly only one thing left to say, ‘Thank you Mrs Camilleri for taking us!’ Maysa Li Year 9

Mrs Michelle McKay
Head of Visual Arts

Aitken College Chartered Bus Service
Expressions of Interest for 2013

There are vacancies on the following Aitken College chartered services for 2013:

- **Oak Park:** from Oak Park, via Glenroy, Westmeadows, Attwood
- **Strathmore / Essendon:** from Strathmore via Essendon, Airport West and Gladstone Park
- **Roxburgh Park:** Meadow Heights via Roxburgh Park. (now including South Craigieburn)
- **Greenvale:** Greenvale
- **Sunbury:** Sunbury via Bulla

Please phone Diana Cohn on 9333 9124 if you would like further information.

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August 10, 2pm matinee
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- Discover the **parenting style** that’s needed to raise children in these changing times
- Develop a common framework for raising modern kids so they feel more confident and assured as parents

Both speakers will present for 90 minutes and the morning will end on a high with a 30 minute Question and Answer session with both speakers

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**Michael Grose:**

Australia’s No. 1 Parenting Educator

A popular media performer Michael is the author of 8 parenting books, a columnist and parenting educator to over 1,500 Australian schools. Michael has just been named NSAA Educator of Excellence for 2013 in recognition for his outstanding work with parents. He’s also the first person to conduct a parenting seminar in Parliament House Canberra.

**What really matters as a parent!**

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Relationship-specialist

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“Life is demanding. Constant pressures can take their toll even on the most positive and resilient of individuals. I’ll help you reclaim and focus your energy to ensure that you overcome the obstacles to genuine effectiveness, maximising your input into your children, your family and your lifestyle.”
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"Hilarious, heartfelt, helpful."
Kalindi Purtle, Gold Coast, Qld

"The audience was entrallled!"
Leesa, Moonee Ponds, Vic

"The message was very powerful and inspiring!"
Suzzane Lim, Ringwood North, Vic

About Michael:
"More! More! More! An hour was too short for your words of wisdom."
C. French, Baxter, Vic

"Inspiring, enjoyable, entertaining and fantastic advice."
Leanne Street, Gold Coast, Qld

"Very inspiring! Valuable ideas to bring change at home."
Madonna Stewart, Calamvale, Qld

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Lauriston Institute

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Saturday, 10th August
9am - 1pm
Piper Pavilion
Prince Alfred College
Copper St
Kent Town
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PERTH
Saturday, 17th August
9am - 1pm
Hadley Hall
MLC Perth
356 Stirling Highway
Claremont
Sponsored by
Freshwater Bay Primary School/ MLC

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