

NEWSLETTER

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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 2017

Thu	2 Feb	Year 12 Conference Day (Moonee Valley)
Thu	2 Feb	Prep to Year 7 & Year 11 commence
Fri	3 Feb	Year 8 to Year 12 commence
Mon	13 Mar	Labour Day Holiday
Wed	22 Mar	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep–12)
Thu	30 Mar	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep–12)
Thu	30 Mar	Term 1 concludes for students
Fri	31 Mar	Professional Learning Day (student free)
Tue	18 Apr	Term 2 commences
Tue	25 Apr	ANZAC Day
Mon	12 Jun	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tue	20 Jun	Report Writing Day (student free)
Fri	30 Jun	Term 2 concludes
Mon	24 Jul	Term 3 commences
Tue	15 Aug	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep–12)
Thu	24 Aug	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep–12)
Fri	25 Aug	Professional Learning Day (student free)
Fri	22 Sep	Term 3 concludes
Fri	29 Sep	AFL Grand Final Public Holiday (office closed)
Mon	9 Oct	Term 4 commences
Mon	6 Nov	Mid Term Break
Tue	7 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
Fri	24 Nov	Report Writing Day (student free)
Thu	7 Dec	Presentation Night (Years 3 to 12)
Wed	13 Dec	Term 4 concludes

Term Dates for 2017

Term 1	2/3 February	to	30 March
Term 2	18 April	to	30 June
Term 3	24 July	to	22 September
Term 4	9 October	to	13 December

End of Semester Reports

Parents of students from Prep to Year 11 will be issued an end of semester report, which can be accessed via the Community Portal. One of the changes to reports this semester is the inclusion of attendance details for each student. The reports will be available to parents at 4.00pm today.

Ms Kerri Batch
College Head of Learning

Office Closure

Please note the office will be closed from 4.00pm on Friday 23 December and will re-open at 9.00am on Tuesday 3 January 2017.

Thought: "As we give presents at Christmas, we need to recognise that sharing our time and ourselves is such an important part of giving." Gordon B. Hinckley

From the Principal

As we finish another year and begin to think of Christmas, a short blessing for students and families:

*"During this Christmas season
May you be blessed
With the spirit of the season which is peace,
The gladness of the season which is hope,
The heart of the season which is love
The happiness of the season which is joy
May the Blessings of Christmas be with you,
May the Christ Child light your way,
May God's holy angels guide you,
And keep you safe each day."*

Many awards for student academic achievement and school participation were presented at final Assemblies and Presentation Night. We congratulate all recipients of awards and hope that they are an inspiration to others.

Presentation Night Award Winners 2016

College Colours

Academic Colour	Yao Ming (Brian) Chan, Joshua Pereira, Kristina Vlasovic, Ethan Riley
Cultural Colour	Matthew White, Marcus Machen, Adam Piccolo, Amanda Moore
Service Colour	Matthew White
Sport Colour	Cashe McCoullough, Antonie Polimeni, Adrian Smrdelj, Joshua Hodinj
House - Millar	Daniel Garisto
House - Cameron	Coby McTaggart

Brookhill

Year 10

Academic Colour	Nicholas Jankovic, Meriam Fayadh, Phoebe Del Rosario, Lachlan Ward, Dilara Aydin
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Year 10

Encouragement	Yaren Ayan, Riya Rimi, Caitlyn Reddoch, Carel Eraly
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Year 11

Academic Colour	Yao Ming (Brian) Chan, Joshua Pereira, Aneesh Verma, Liam James, Emma Bardzinski
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Year 11

Encouragement	Domenic Fazzolari, Aidan Torno, Corey Baker, Rachel Park
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Dunhelen

Year 9

Academic Colour	Deniz Cetinkaya, Neve Mitchell, Mikayla Barnes, Holly Brown, Isabella Crawford
Encouragement	Antonio Costabile, Jemma Rizk, Bianca Mayne, Trent Vase, Emily Kilic

Year 8

Academic Colour	Angus McTaggart, Hasan Fayadh, Helena Riley, Aaron Ram, Jaiden Anjoul
Encouragement	Amber Fazio, Chloe Delaveris, Francesca Songcuan, Kaveesh Gollaheennalage, Gabriel Koury

Year 7

Academic Colour	Alessandro Farinaccio, Angela Schultz, Yvette Goyena, Nikola Maric, Devindi Perera
Encouragement	Luke Gennimatas, Evangilina Petrousis, Waruni Devasurendra, Jorja Scodellaro, Luke Kristitz

Cumberland

Year 6

Academic Colour	Tara Kumarapperuma, Sofia Cofano
Encouragement	Madison Adams, Makenzie Hall

Year 5

Academic Colour	Malinsa Harshadeva, Zachary Miritis
Encouragement	Liam Richardson-Crane, Jessica Nadde

Year 4

Encouragement	Rhiannon Hall, Tymanie Green
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Year 3

Encouragement	Lana Gorgievski, Michael Zackor
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The Parents and Friends Arts Scholarships were awarded to three Year 11 students to pursue their interest in the Arts by completing a masterclass in an area of interest. Congratulations to Matthew Shaw, Ebony Gorlin and Elisya Kirk.

The Rachael Woodhams Scholarship is awarded to a Dunhelen student to complete a masterclass in an area of music or music composition. Congratulations to Marc Embuido.

The Foundation Scholarship is a Board Scholarship that is awarded to a Year 11 student who is a strong academic performer, who contributes widely to the activities that happen here at the College and who also makes a contribution to the wider community. Congratulations to Amanda Moore.

The Dux Award for 2015 was awarded to Catherine Ward.

We acknowledge staff leaving us, Mr John Rudd is leaving us to take up a Principal position at St Clares Primary School in Pascoe Vale. Ms Karen McArdle will take up the role of Head of School - Cumberland. She comes to us from Ipswich Grammar where she had the responsibility for the leadership of the Junior School.

The following staff have been at the College in replacement positions: Miss Sarah Howells, Mr Chris Reid, Mr Alan Harman, Ms Catherine Davies, Mr Joel Moden, Mr Joshua Dench, Miss Charlotte Beales and Miss Bethany Nicholls. We thank them for their contributions to the College and wish them well in their new endeavours. As they leave we will be welcoming back, Mrs Gilbert, Mrs MacNamara, Mrs Wachter, Ms Carta (from parental leave) and Mr Lal, Mr Prentice and Ms Seivers from Long Service Leave and Ms Dennis from leave overseas.

When you receive the College magazine, the Windmill, you will get a sense of the myriad of activities that occur throughout the school year.

We wait with anticipation for the Year 12 students who receive their results next week and then in mid January for their offers to further study, work or travel.

In this final newsletter for 2016, I would like to thank the students, staff, parents and friends and the Aitken College Board members for your contributions in making Aitken College a great place to be.

*Mrs Josie Crisara
Principal*

Schooltrenz Holiday Trading Hours

Schooltrenz will be closed from Thursday 22 December and will re-open on Tuesday 3 January, 2017. Trading hours for purchase of the Aitken College school uniform for the month of January will be Monday to Saturday, 9.30am to 5.00pm. Normal trading hours will resume from Wednesday 1 February as follows, Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11.00am to 5.00pm and Saturday 9.30am - 3.00pm.

We wish all families a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

From the Deputy Principal

College Entrance Road: During the December/January school holidays, major roadworks will take place on the College's entrance driveway. These will commence on Saturday 10 December and continue until late January. We request that you avoid, if possible, driving into the College during this time. Entry to the College will be via the farmhouse gate south of our main entrance; signage will be in place to direct all traffic into the site. Please exercise due care when driving into the College and observe a 20kph speed limit. In the interests of safety, we advise traffic to only use left-turn in and left-turn out at the farmhouse gate.

Book Collection in January: Due to the College entrance road works, the book collection scheduled for Wednesday 18 January will take place at Sherwood Receptions on Somerton Road (between Mickleham and Oaklands Roads). Collection times will be as published on the booklist. Families will be sent a reminder email about this in January.

Parent Email Addresses: Email is increasingly being used to communicate with families; the postal mail can be very slow and printed notices can be lost in schoolbags! Hence it is very important that the College has up to date parent email addresses; if yours has been changed, please advise us by emailing to admin@aitkencollege.edu.au.

*Mr Kim Forward
Deputy Principal*

Parents and Friends Association News

What a wonderful year we have had. Last Monday we had our Annual General Meeting, where a new committee was named. We would like to welcome all of the new members. The new Officers of the Association committee is:

President: Siobhan Short
Vice President: Allison Phelan
Treasurer: Sally Penaluna
Secretary: Melinda Gallicchio
Assistant Secretary: Misal Belvedere
FOA Representative: Siobhan Short

Committee Members: Joanne Birchmore
Nicole Lindrea
Jenni Grbavac
Stacy Heywood
Natalia Presta
Kathryn McKenzie
Ainsley Smyth-Blood
Joanne Rees

There are still more tea towels and aprons available from the Accounts office, if you missed out or wanted to purchase more.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our events through the year. We look forward to another successful year next year. If you have any feedback or ideas for events for next year please email us at pandf@aitkencollege.edu.au.

From all of the Parents and Friends, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope you have a safe and happy break.

*Mrs Allison Phelan
Secretary - Parents and Friends Association*

Brookhill School Notices

2017 Year 12 Student Learning Conference: All 2017 Year 12 students are reminded that they will start the year with our annual Student Learning Conference at Moonee Valley on Thursday 2 February. This compulsory event is an exciting and worthwhile day, which equips the new Year 12 students with study and personal management skills needed for the year ahead. Permission forms and information has been distributed to students. Anyone who has not returned the permission form to the Senior School Office is asked to do so immediately.

*Mr David Murphy
Head of Brookhill*

VCAL/VET News

Congratulations Award Winners! Congratulations to our Year 11 and Year 12 VET and VCAL students, Marcus Machen, Abdul Hoblos, Domenic Fazzolari, Heidi Butler and Lachlan Mills who were successful in obtaining a Hume Whittlesea VET, VCAL or School Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship Award for their vocational study achievements undertaken in 2016. The Hume Whittlesea Local Learning Employment Network (HWLLEN) recognises and awards students excelling in vocational education in our local schools. The VET, VCAL & SBAT Awards are proudly supported by Hume City Council, the City of Whittlesea and the Hume and Whittlesea Youth Commitments. The students received a Student Achievement Award or a Student Encouragement Award and all students were highly recommended by their VCAL and VET teachers for the award. The Awards Ceremony was held at Parade College in Bundoora on the evening of Thursday 24 November. Marcus, Abdul, Dom, Heidi, and Lachlan have all worked extremely hard this year to achieve their goals and have remained focussed and dedicated to their career aspirations.



*Mrs Jenny Lilley & Mrs Caron Flynn
VCAL Co-ordinator & VET Co-ordinator
Mrs Christine Hutchinson & Mr Dean Taylor
VET Music Teacher & VET Sport and Recreation*

Dunhelen School Notices

Merry Christmas from Dunhelen.

Thank you to the Dunhelen community for a wonderful year.

A very big thank you to all Homeroom teachers who often go above and beyond, your work is truly appreciated. Thank you to parents for trusting us with your wonderful children and thank you to the students for being a pleasure to teach and get to know.

I thank Mr Ben Prentice (Assistant Head - Year 7), Mr Michael Patchell (Assistant Head - Year 8), Mrs Elpis Vlahopoulos (Assistant Head - Year 9) and Mrs Caron Flynn (Acting Assistant Head - Year 7 and Year 8) for their tireless work and devotion to your children and teachers. It is a privilege to work alongside them.

Well done to all the academic, encouragement and colour award recipients of 2016. You should all be so very proud of yourselves. In fact, all Dunhelen students should be very proud of their wonderful conduct and attitude towards, not only their school and education, but also the people of the Aitken community.

I wish the Year 9 students all the very best as they head up into the Senior School and do hope that they continue to maintain the wonderful relationships that they have established with teachers for many years to come. I look forward to working with many of you again in 2017.

Wishing each and every one of you a wonderful Christmas surrounded by loved ones.



*Mrs Francis Scuderi
Head of Dunhelen*

Cumberland School Notices

Hoop Time Heroes: Congratulations to the Year 3 and 4 Hoop Time team, who competed in the State Finals last month. The team performed exceptionally well finishing 3rd overall. This is an outstanding achievement considering that nearly 800 teams in total entered this competition. It was just as pleasing to hear that the team played with a positive attitude and displayed great sportsmanship over the tournament. Well done to all involved.



Sensational Sovereign Hill: Last Tuesday saw the Year 5 students visit Sovereign Hill for an excursion linked to their integrated studies unit on the Australian Gold Rush. The day was a wonderful learning opportunity for students to immerse themselves into what life would have been like in the 1850's. Students participated in a number of activities linked to life in the Gold Fields including panning for gold, going into a mine and playing an interactive game where students were given the role of miners.



Year 6 Celebration: A big thanks to all of the parents and families who attended the Year 6 Celebration night last Thursday. The night was a great celebration of the Year 6 students' time in Primary School and provided everyone with a chance to reflect on the achievements, growth and development that the students have had in their time at the College. We wish all of the Year 6 students well as they progress into Dunhelen school in 2017.



Strings Concert: Congratulations to the students from Year 3C who performed at the strings concert in the Chapel and Performing Arts Centre last week. It was amazing to see how much the students had learnt in a single semester. They should all be extremely proud at what they have managed to achieve and the quality of the performance that they delivered. Well done!

Thank You and Best Wishes: It is amazing to think that the school year has come to an end. 2016 has been a wonderful journey of growth and development for our students. They have been incredibly fortunate to have access to so many fantastic learning opportunities over the year. I would like to thank all of the students for their fantastic attitude to life and learning. I would also like to thank the dedicated and passionate team of teachers in Cumberland who have worked tirelessly to ensure our students have access to the best learning experiences possible. Finally, a big thank you to the parents and families for their continued support and partnership in the education of their children.

I wish all students, teachers and families a wonderful Christmas, a restful break and all the very best for the future.

*Mr John Rudd
Head of Cumberland*

Fairview School Notices

Responsible Pet Ownership: On Tuesday, the Prep students had a visit from Raelene, a pet educator, and her dog Scarlett. The students learnt about how to be safe around animals and how to take care of their pets.



Step Up Day: Yesterday the students spent the morning in their 2017 class groupings and with their new teachers and classmates. A lot of time is spent arranging the classes, taking into account friendship groups, specific learning needs and other considerations. We also welcomed the new Prep students for a visit. Your child should have brought home a note with the details of their 2017 class.

Many Thanks: The past term has been wonderfully rewarding for me. I have appreciated the welcome I received from staff, parents and particularly students as I have stepped in during Ms Neophytou's absence. On Presentation Night, I talked about the wonderful foundation Fairview provides students and seeing this first hand, from the inside, has reinforced the supreme value our Preparatory program offers. Thank you to all who have supported me this term. I wish you a safe, restful and happy Christmas filled with all the wonderful blessings this time of year brings.

*Mr Michael Cooper
Acting Head of Fairview*

Careers News

We wish all our Year 12 students lots of luck as they wait for their VCE Results. Results will be available on Monday 12 December. We hope you all receive results you are happy with and which reflect your capabilities. Results can be accessed online and/or via SMS (if the student subscribes to this service by Sunday 11 December). Please note that students who have not paid their VTAC processing fee will not receive an official transcript of their ATAR and will not be eligible to receive any offers.

Ms Gibbs and Mrs Borg will be available for careers consultations in B21 during the week results are released. Appointments can be made for times on Monday 12 December up until midday Friday 16 December. Students and parents are also welcome to email or telephone for advice during that time. We will endeavour to respond to your queries as quickly as possible.

When offers are released on 18 January please remember to accept your first round offer. You are still eligible to receive an offer for a preference higher on your list in later offer rounds but the first round offer should always be accepted in case no further offers are forthcoming. Final preference lists should reflect your genuine order of preference, there should not be any preference on the list you would not be prepared to accept if made an offer and you must have a safety net.

We hope our 2017 Year 11 and 12 students have a good rest over the holiday break and return refreshed and eager to learn next year. We are looking forward to working with you and welcoming you to the Careers Centre.

Year 11 'Future Finder' Excursion To RMIT: The Class of 2017 (current Year 11) students were tasked with making their own way to RMIT on Tuesday 22 November to meet with Aitken and RMIT staff for the 'Future Finder' excursion. The independent travel was part of their learning experience and a foreshadowing of things to come post Year 12 when the students will need to be independent and resilient as they take on the challenges of their pathways after Aitken. They completed this task with flying colours, showing maturity and (mostly) being punctual. Despite the weather not being particularly kind, RMIT had devised an excellent program for us which was both informative and interesting and the students participated enthusiastically. The RMIT staff commented on the good manners and behaviour of our students who listened courteously and were excellent ambassadors for the College. We were delighted with this feedback and proud of the students.

Our tailored RMIT program began with a welcome to RMIT and a talk about the institution and the courses and facilities it offers. RMIT is a dual sector institution, having both university and TAFE courses, so there is a wide variety of study options from which students can choose and excellent pathways for those who may not initially be able to enter their "dream" course. There was information about the differences between secondary school and tertiary study and the transition to tertiary study from high school. Support programs were discussed and also the wide range of sporting and social opportunities available at RMIT.

This was followed by an opportunity to explore the campus and students very enthusiastically completed the RMIT version of the "Amazing Race". After a break for morning tea the students attended two seminars of their choice selected from: Business, Youth Work, Engineering, Science, Advertising and Design and Architecture. The seminars were delivered by a mixture of lecturers and current students and provided our students with the opportunity to see different learning spaces in action. After lunch a debriefing session took place, during which the main themes for the day were discussed. RMIT provided the opportunity for students to visit a tertiary campus located near public transport where they could investigate both university and TAFE options. Even though many of our students will not continue with studies at RMIT post Year 12, the excursion was designed to start the thinking process about 'life beyond Aitken' and to provide students with the knowledge and skills to feel confident to walk on to a tertiary campus and explore. It is hoped that this experience will be followed by attendance at Open Days during August next year as the students continue their course and career research. It is our aim that by the end of 2017 each student will have planned a pathway for 2018 which excites them and to which they are looking forward; whether they are hoping to study at a university or TAFE, start work or take a gap year.

Thank you to the students for their excellent behaviour and to the staff who assisted us with the organisation prior to the excursion and on the day; many people contributed to the success of this event.



*Mrs Clare Borg and Ms Rae Gibbs
Careers Advisers*

Chaplain's Corner

Most of us look forward to the end of term, however, as a student counsellor, I am aware that this is a time of fear and trepidation for many of our students. What the last day represents is the day their parents read their reports and cast their judgment on their short comings. Some students have told me, in past years, that they have come home with a string of A+'s and one A and been chastised for their failure! Another told of getting a 99 and was questioned about where they went wrong to lose that mark. "No matter what I do, it's never good enough" I hear through helpless and frustrated tears. I often comment to parents, using a high jump analogy, that if you raise the bar too high, far above their personal best, they will give up! But if you celebrate their personal best, they will strive for higher!!

My encouragement to parents, is to read your child's report in a way that does not let your child think that your love for them depends on their achievements. Avoid the "I pay good money to send you here" or the "I make sacrifices so that you can have the best", these are your choices, not your child's, these guilt trips have an adverse affect on your relationship with your child. Try this, before you open up your child's report, say to them "I want you to know that there is nothing in this report that will change my love for you, you are special to me, and nothing written in this report can ever change that". Then find the things to celebrate!

Your children are not stupid, so if they get a bad report, perhaps try asking yourself, am I contributing to their lack of enthusiasm? Do I have time to support their studies, do I celebrate their achievements? Do I give their endeavours the attention they need? Yes, we all have busy lives, but why? Usually so that we can give our kids the best we can. We get so caught up in wanting to provide the best opportunities for our kids that sometimes they miss out on the thing they need the most; us spending quality time with them. I have also regularly suggested to parents to make one hour per week, in your diary, to spend with each individual child and let your child put that hour in their diary too. You will be amazed at how responsive your child will be in that hour!

And finally, over these Christmas holidays, may I invite you to see the love of God shining through your amazing kids. You have beautiful children that have an ocean of love to share; thank them for the gift they are to you and tell them what they mean to you; share the love this Christmas and I pray you feel it coming back at you in the mirror too!

Love and blessings to you and your beautiful family.

*Rev Jeanne Beale
Chaplain*

Humanities News

We are proud to announce the winners of the second annual Aitken Map Competition:

1 st Place	Jessica Sekulovski and Grace Barfoot
2 nd Place	Anin Kuriakose
3 rd Place	Isabella Peters and Camryn Bux
4 th Place	Naysim Farah and Julian Muratore
5 th Place	Erin Hrehoresen
Viewer's Choice Award	Sarah Portlock and Harrison Chan

Congratulations to all the winners! Do not forget the Humanities Faculty host two big competitions each year - model making in Term 2 and map making in Term 4. Thank you to everyone who entered and a special thanks to Mrs Anne Adams and Miss Jane Heasley for getting so many of their students to submit great entries.

It has been a great year full of fantastic learning experiences for students both in and out of the classroom. Look out for some of the fascinating new adventures we embark on next year, including getting Year 7 students to form their own political parties, using VR headsets to experience life on the battlefields of WWI and WW2, a new prize, the 'History Cup', for the most outstanding piece of work by a Dunhelen History student and another two exciting editions of activity-packed Humanities Days.

Have a great Christmas and New Year, see you in 2017!

*Mr Ben Lawless
Head of Faculty Humanities*

Performing Arts News

Band Academy and Year 7/8 Music Concert: Last week saw the inaugural Band Academy Concert. Students who had undertaken just six months of tuition presented a number of items in small groups and as an orchestra. Thank you to Mr Nicholas Frampton and Ms Stephanie Pace as well as the tutors who worked with students.



We also took the opportunity to share some of the work undertaken in the updated Year 7 and Year 8 Music program. In these classes students have an opportunity to develop skills in guitar, bass guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and then work as a band to learn songs. Some of these were presented as part of last Monday's concert as well.



Instrumental Music Lessons: Enrolments are open for students wishing to have instrumental music lessons in 2017. We offer tuition on woodwind (flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, tenor saxophone), brass (trumpet, trombone), strings (violin, viola, cello), and contemporary-popular (voice, piano, guitar, bass guitar, drum kit) instruments. The program is open to all students in Years Prep - 12. Pick up an enrolment pack from Reception or Mr Frampton's office (P3) in the Chapel and Performing Arts Centre. Application forms are due in as soon as possible as lessons are arranged on a first come basis.

Long Service Leave: I will be away for the start of 2017 and while I am gone Ms Beth Thomson will be undertaking my duties. I thank all College families and friends for supporting students and staff in the Performing Arts across 2016 and look forward to joining you in all of the wonderful performance opportunities which will be happening next year.

*Mr Michael Cooper
Director of Performing Arts*

Physical Education News

Year 3/4 Hoop Time Basketball State Finals: On Thursday 24 November, 11 Year 3 and 4 students competed at the Hoop Time Basketball State Finals at Dandenong Basketball Stadium. We had 10 parents attend the day, all catching the bus with the team and acting as an enthusiastic support team for the players. To begin the competition, the students competed against four schools to win their pool and proceed into the quarter finals. The scores were:

Match 1	Aitken Astros v Templestowe Primary School	11-2 (Won)
Match 2	Aitken Astros v St Oliver Plunkett Primary School	7-6 (Won)
Match 3	Aitken Astros v Sassafras Primary School	10-6 (Won)
Match 4	Aitken Astros v Officer Primary School	11-4 (Won)

The quarter final match was played against Wangaratta Primary School, with Daniel Glogovac scoring the first 2 points of the match and setting Aitken Astros up for a fantastic win. All 11 players contributed to the quarter final win, beating Wangaratta by 4 points.

The semifinal game was played against Sacred Heart College. Daniel, Zane and Camryn all scored goals in the game, with the score being level most of the match. Aitken Astros tried their hardest to come away with the win but unfortunately, lost by 2 points. The final score being 12-14.

Overall, the Aitken Astros came 3rd out of 744 schools who competed in the Year 3 and 4 Hoop Time basketball competition, making them the third best team in the State. Huge congratulations to Isabelle Murphy, Adam Smrdelj, Mia Costantini, Thomas Johnson, Sascha Sekulovski, Erin Hrehoresen, Daniel Glogovac, Zane Terranova, Camryn Bux, Alan Fu and Andy Fu who were outstanding players and remained positive throughout the entire competition. A big thank you to the wonderful parents who attended and supported their children and the team on the day. Also a special mention to Mr Taylor, Mr Mackrell and Mr Dench for coaching the students in the regional and State Finals.



*Miss Gemma Crole
Acting Secondary Interschool Sports Co-ordinator*

Visual Arts News

During the last week of term, the Year 8 Art students in Mrs Camilleri's class placed their chalk drawings in specific sites around the school. Each student had to think carefully about the placement of their design. Students chose interesting sites such as drains, pipes, the sides of stairs and walls. The work is not permanent and will eventually wash off. Some of the photos here give an idea of the images. Students loved this activity. It reflected the current trend of contemporary art, the idea of how some artists do not want their art to be permanent, and the challenge of applying media to a different surface other than paper and making the design 'fit' according to the structure. Pop up exhibitions have a lovely element of surprise and fun.



The Art Exhibition in November was a huge success. Some of the highlights were the sculptural forms in mixed media by the primary children, the expressive work by senior art students, the canvas paintings by Year 5 students, the furniture and the photography. Different people have different favourites, but for me it is a joy watching students marvelling at the skill of other people.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday.

Mrs Michelle McKay
Head of Faculty Visual Arts

GIRLS & WOMENS CRICKET UPDATE FOR 2017 AT THE GREENVALE KANGAROOS CRICKET CLUB....



The Greenvale Kangaroos Cricket Club are looking to expand on our Girls only teams.

At present, we have an Under 13s Girls team and we are hoping to gain enough interest to have 2 teams ready for next season (September 2017).

If you would like to see a game of Under 13s Girls cricket, please come along to **Greenvale Kangaroos Cricket Club's home ground at:**

Greenvale Recreation Reserve
185 Section Road, Greenvale

on Monday 12 December 2016
to see 4 matches that are being played.
Matches begin at 5.45pm and will finish by 7.45pm.

Melbourne Renegades Women's BBL players
will also be attending this night.



If you would like any further information about Girls or **Women's cricket;**
please phone Jill on 0418 525 481 or Ken on 0418 582 902.



SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN – COMING SOON

Get ready for a 'Sensational Summer' of fun! Summer Holiday Club Program is coming and it is going to be one of the greatest holidays yet.

Here are just some of the feature theme days coming up:

At the movies

SING (PG) The movie event of the Summer is here. We're off to meet Dapper Koala Buster Moon and see the world's greatest singing competition!

Science Spectacular

Interactive Science Session - Bubble, Bubble, POP! Mini Scientists get ready, it's time to experiment! With a take-home Science notebook.

Flying Hole in One

Frisbee Golf Course - Will you be first to score a flying hole in one? A colourful and wildly fun indoor obstacle course awaits and we're ready to score! Plus, you'll get your own take-home Frisbee!

Inside Out

Nesting Dolls - Design and take-home your masterpieces. Will it be a footy team? A music band? The choice is yours!

Program Details

To find your closest Holiday Club location and to book visit www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia



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Thank you for submitting your applications.
We look forward to receiving many more from our College community.

ADVERTISEMENT BOOKINGS AS AT 30/11/2016

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