

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 2015

Tue	11 Aug	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep-12)
Thu	20 Aug	Parent Teacher Interviews (Prep-12)
Fri	21 Aug	Professional Learning Day (student free)
Fri	18 Sep	Term 3 concludes
Mon	05 Oct	Term 4 commences
Mon	02 Nov	Mid Term Break
Tue	03 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
Fri	20 Nov	Report Writing Day (student free)
Mon	07 Dec	Presentation Night (Years 3 to 12)
Wed	09 Dec	Term 4 concludes

Term Dates for 2015

Term 2	13 April	to	26 June
Term 3	20 July	to	18 September
Term 4	5 October	to	9 December

Thought: "The great essentials to happiness in this life are something to do, something to love and something to hope for." Joseph Addison

From the Principal

Welcome back to families and staff for what will be an exciting second semester. As you will have noticed the Environmental Barn has been completed and will be available for agricultural, horticultural, science and class use. We will be re-establishing the market gardens with students growing vegetables and herbs over the next little while. The view from the Barn back across the College is stunning and once the warmer months hit and the grass re-establishes itself we will invite families to visit the area.

The other piece of exciting news is that we are ready to commence construction of the Food Technology Extension. The space includes a food technology kitchen, scullery, pantry, barrista area, office and storage space, toilets and an indoor and outdoor dining area. It is hoped that construction will be completed in time for the new school year in 2016. In the first year the space will be used for classes in Years 4-9. The schematics show the general design of this additional facility; these are on display to view at Reception. If families would like to contribute to the Building Fund to the value of \$500 or more, your name will be included on a donor's board in the new facility. Building Fund contributions can be made through the Accounts office. Please note that during the construction phase there may be some disruption to vehicle parking and movement. Parents are requested to have patience and follow any instructions given.

The new soccer goals, donated by the Parents and Friends Association, have been installed and will be available for student use. I encourage parents to continue to support their activities. If you would like to help the Parents and Friends by assisting with events, please make contact via email at: pandf@aitkencollege.edu.au.

Welcome to our two new exchange students, Isa Mesimaki and Mazarine Hayez in Year 11. Isa is from Finland and Mazarine is from Belgium.



VALE - Master Ryan Heyes

Ryan Heyes (Year 9) passed away peacefully after a long illness. Ryan commenced at the College in Prep. He had a bright and bubbly personality and he will be sadly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Heyes family: parents Samantha and Sam and brother Mitchell (Year 12). In times of difficulty such as these the College offers counselling support and a reflection space in the Counselling area of the Chapel and Performing Arts Centre. All members of our community are welcome to use this space or contact the Student Services team for support.

*Mrs Josie Crisara
Principal*

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Term 3 Tuition Fees

Parents are reminded that Term 3 tuition fees are due this Friday, 24 July. Please contact the Accounts office 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. Statements were mailed last term. Note that parents can view their fees account online on the Aitken College website; click on Community Portal, then the Finance tab.

Mr Petar Gajic
Finance Manager

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews for all year levels will be held on **Tuesday 11 August** between 4.00pm and 6.00pm and on **Thursday 20 August** between 4.00pm and 8.00pm. Interview bookings may be made through the community portal on the Aitken College home page; just log on in the usual way and click on the *Parent Teacher Interview* tab. This tab will be open for bookings on **Wednesday 29 July**. Please note that a schedule of your interviews and room locations can be printed from the portal after you have made your appointments.

Mr Steve Craven
Director of Studies

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

All schools in Australia, including Government, Independent and Catholic schools, will participate in the *Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the data collection) this year*.

The data collection is an annual count of the number of students with disability receiving educational adjustments to support their participation in education on the same basis as students without disability.

All education agencies are now required under the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* to provide information on a student's level of education, disability and level of adjustment to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. Data will be de-identified prior to its transfer to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. No student's identity will be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

The collection of this information from States and Territories will inform future policy and program planning in relation to students with disability.

From the Deputy Principal

We welcome back from Long Service Leave Mrs Rhonda Edmonds, Mrs Jenny Lilley and Ms Julie Hester. We also welcome new staff members Miss Christine Tzoumanis, who will be teaching English and History classes, Mrs Lucy Miotello in the Library, and Mr Chris Reid, taking up a range of classes. Mrs Sherry Sadler has the role of Acting Head of House - Millar during Term 3.

As some initial construction work is about to commence on the Food Technology Centre, a small number of car spaces in the Eastern/Gym Car Park will be reserved for the vehicles of our tradespeople. As more construction gets underway, parents are asked to take heed of the signage in place and are also reminded that there is no parking on the College Ring Road. This is a drop off area only.

There has been damage to the gate accessing Providence Estate this week caused by individuals trying to use it outside of the prescribed hours, which are 8.00am - 9.00am and 2.50pm - 4.00pm. If parents plan to stay for morning assemblies, are providing class assistance or need to meet with a teacher, they must park within the College grounds as the gate will not be available as an exit outside of the listed times. While this may be an inconvenience to some people, we ask you to remember that the purpose of limiting access times to the College grounds via the gate is to ensure the safety of all students.

Earlier this week, parents would have received an email about the Independent Schools Victoria Parent Satisfaction Survey. The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete, and will be conducted across the coming month. We have commissioned the survey to collect valuable feedback about our programs and the education we are providing your children, to ensure we continue to deliver a high quality service. Please consider taking the time to give us your thoughts when the survey link is emailed to you early next week. All responses will be anonymous.

Next Thursday 30 July is Family Science Night, which is always an evening of fun and fascination as children and parents explore some of the more captivating elements of science together. Highlights of last year were the slime room and making ice cream. We encourage all of you to come along and see what the Science Faculty has in store this year, in VCE Common Room 1 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm.

Finally, a reminder that during Mr Kim Forward's Long Service Leave this term, we are sharing his responsibilities. Communication from parents can be directed to our shared email address DeputyPrincipal@aitkencollege.edu.au or, naturally, by arranging an appointment to speak with either of us.

*Ms Kerri Batch
Acting Deputy Principal - Students/Parents &
Mr Michael Cooper
Acting Deputy Principal - Staff*

Parents and Friends Association News

Welcome to Term 3. We hope you enjoyed your holidays and are ready for the exciting and busy new term. Thank you to all that have donated uniforms for our pre-loved sales. We have had some fantastic and generous donations. The next pre-loved sale will have some great items for sale. If you would like to donate any unused uniforms/bags/accessories please leave them at Reception. Remember all proceeds of the pre-loved sale goes back to the school (and in turn your child) in way of new items.

If you would like to be part of Parents & Friends though cannot commit to it completely, we have a Volunteers Register for the times we need extra helpers. So put your name on it; we will contact you when we need you. Email your information to: pandf@aitkencollege.edu.au.

Fathers Day Breakfast: We will be having our annual Fathers Day egg and bacon roll breakfast on Thursday 3 September. Keep an eye out for a flyer with more details.

Fathers Day Stall: We will also be having the Fathers Day stall for the children during the day on 3 September. Your child will be able to buy lovely gifts for their dad/grandad/uncle up to the value of \$10.00. A flyer will be coming home shortly.

Umbrellas: I hope everyone is enjoying their beautiful umbrellas. For those who did not put in orders, you can still buy them at the Accounts office at \$20.00 per umbrella. Numbers are limited so do not miss out! We would also love to get your feedback on them.

Community Business Directory: Thank you to all businesses that have advertised in our Community Business Directory over the past year. If you have not looked recently please see the end of the newsletter or look online at www.aitkencollege.edu.au as there are many new and exciting advertisers. If you have any queries regarding the Business Directory please email us at: pandf@aitkencollege.edu.au.

Entertainment Book: The Entertainment™ Book or Digital version may be purchased for \$65.00. You receive many valuable offers and by using just a few of these offers you will save more than the cost of the Membership. You can pay online via <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1m86249> or by completing the payment envelope issued via students and returning your order to the Accounts office. Books may be collected from the Accounts office.

Parents & Friends would love to hear from you! We are planning our events for the remainder of the year and next year, so if you have any questions, comments or ideas please email us at: pandf@aitkencollege.edu.au or comment on our Facebook page.

*Mrs Siobhan Short
Aitken College Parents & Friends Association*

Brookhill School Notices

Although the term has only just begun, the start of third term is the beginning of the end for the Year 12 cohort. There are only 10 weeks of formal classes left for the Year 12 students this year! Indeed, many Year 12 classes will have finished the course material and started revision before the end of the term; that means only 7 more weeks of regular classwork! With that in mind, I would like to remind the Year 12 students of the advice I gave in our first assembly of the term:

No matter what you have done to this point, regardless of whether you have been performing to your best or not, hard work and dedication over the next short period of time can only improve your results from their present level.

VTAC Information Evening: All Year 12 students should be mindful of the VTAC information evening to take place on Monday 3 August. This is an important night for everyone wishing to apply for a tertiary place through VTAC for next year. I strongly encourage all Year 12 students and parents to attend this evening.

2016 Year 11 Course Selection: While the VCE journey draws to an end for the Year 12 group, it is just beginning for our Year 10 students. The VCE Information Night was held on Wednesday 22 July. The VCE information Night was a success, with many parents staying after the formal presentation to speak with Heads of Faculty and other staff. The information presented at these evenings should help ease the VCE course selection headaches for many families. The next stage of the process for the Year 10 students is well underway. All Year 10 students have had a preliminary interview with their Head of House and will have an extensive follow-up interview with one of our specialist careers teacher. Once the information gathering process is complete, Year 10 students pick their subjects online. This can be done at school or from home, so parents have the opportunity to be involved in their child's VCE course selection. The online subject selection will be open during the period 10 to 14 August. Students will receive their log-on details via Homeroom teachers in coming weeks.

It is very important that families carefully consider subject selection. Data from student choices is used to construct the 2016 timetable to enable students to study the subjects of their choice. Once constructed, the timetable may not allow students to change subjects at a later date.

VCAL Information Night: The 2016 VCAL Information Night will be held this coming Monday 27 July. I urge all families who are still discussing future pathways for their child to attend; attendance at this evening does not mean students are constrained to undertake VCAL. To summarise, any student who is not wishing to pursue a university pathway post-school should attend the VCAL information night.

Presentation Ball: The annual Year 11 Presentation Ball will be held in the Celebrity Room at Moonee Valley Racecourse on Saturday 29 August. Tickets for the Ball are available through Trybooking; information about ticketing has been mailed to all Year 11 families and a link to the Trybooking page is on the College web site. Please note that all participating students are required at Moonee Valley by 4.00pm on the day of the Ball.

*Mr David Murphy
Head of Brookhill*

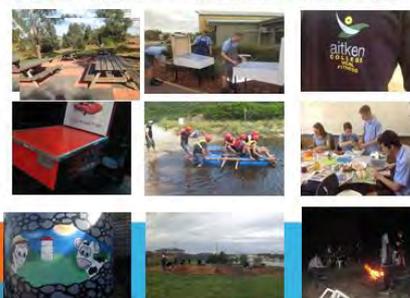
VCAL News

VCAL Information Evening will be held on **Monday 27 July** at 7.00pm until 8.30pm in **B3**. If your child is in Year 10, it is **recommended** that you attend this evening together so that you are fully aware of the study pathways available to your child. VCAL suits any student who is clear about their career direction and is interested in going to TAFE, seeking an apprenticeship, getting a job after finishing school or completing a TAFE certificate before a university course. VCAL gives students a head start into their vocation.

Aitken College VCAL students also take part in **The Duke of Edinburgh's Award**, which is an internationally recognised program that encourages young people to engage with their community and challenge themselves to achieve personal excellence as well as directly contributing to your child's VCAL certificate. The Award is highly regarded and valued in the VCAL program.

If your son or daughter is considering an alternative to VCE and would like to find out more about the VCAL program offered at Aitken College, come along to the evening. The current Year 11 students will be attending the evening and sharing their experiences of VCAL and various aspects of the course. They have also organised a sumptuous supper to enjoy afterwards. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to: brookhilladmin@aitkencollege.edu.au.

VCAL – A HEAD START INTO YOUR CAREER



*Mrs Jenny Lilley
VCAL Coordinator*

Dunhelen School Notices

Welcome to Term 3. I hope that you and your family had the opportunity to rest and enjoy some time together over the holidays. We are indeed very fortunate to have three weeks' break, but it is now back to business.

I look forward to a productive and enjoyable Term 3. This week in assembly I spoke to the students about Semester One reports and I hope that they have had a chance to read their reports and discuss them with you. I mentioned to the students that if they were not entirely pleased with their report, this is the opportunity to improve and better their results.

This term all Dunhelen classrooms will be electing new Class Captains. If you think your child has what it takes to be a Class Captain, please encourage them to speak to their teacher and have a go. Thank you to all of our Semester One Class Captains for their hard work and dedication so far this year. Your efforts are much appreciated by your class and your teachers, and I encourage you to consider applying for leadership positions when they arise.

I would like to remind students and parents about the importance of adhering to the College's uniform policy. It is imperative that students present at school each day wearing complete, correct uniform. Physical Education uniform must be worn correctly and only worn to PE lessons and sporting events. The only piercings permitted to be worn are single plain studs or sleepers in the earlobe. Any other coloured jewelled studs, plastic studs or nose/lip/chin piercings are unacceptable. Makeup and nail polish are not permitted to be worn at school. Students who fail to abide by these rules will be issued with demerits or afterschool detentions. I thank you for your help in this matter.

Once again, welcome back and I look forward to a wonderful Term 3. Please remember to keep the lines of communication open between you and your children's teachers so that together we can work towards creating a valuable learning journey.

*Mrs Francis Scuderi
Head of Dunhelen*

Cumberland School Notices

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful break and were able to relax and enjoy a less-structured few weeks. At the assembly on Monday students were excited, eager and energized - a wonderful way to start the term and semester! Class Captains for Semester Two will be announced next Monday at the Cumberland Assembly.

This is an exciting term with many activities scheduled. We have the musical, 'Annie', opening next Friday, Book Week and the Picture Story Book competition, Life Education (Harold) visiting and the Cumberland Concert! The tidiest classroom competition, for Term 2, was won by 6L; congratulations to all. The class captains were awarded the 'Cumberland Environment Champion' cup. The students and Mrs Lindsay were very excited to receive this.



Below are descriptions of a Learning Portfolio and a Student-led Conference. Students, and many parents, are familiar with a learning portfolio and probably have an example of this at home. This term students will be hosting a student-led conference and using the learning portfolio to complete this task. Please carefully read this detailed information.

Learning Portfolio: A learning portfolio is a collection of work that documents a child's development over the year. It demonstrates growth and allows self-reflection on the learning process. Portfolios encourage students to celebrate, reflect and discuss their learning with peers, teachers and parents. They enable students to take an active role in their learning by celebrating achievements and setting goals for future learning. Learning portfolios include a range of work samples that demonstrate a child's day-to-day learning. It is not a showcase of their best work, rather an authentic illustration of their own personal learning journey. Students choose most of the work samples to be included in the portfolio. Teachers may encourage certain learning activities to be included as this supports a balanced view of achievements. These portfolios will be used in the Student-led Conferences later this term.

Student-led Conferences: During the allocated time for Parent Teacher Interviews this term (Tuesday 11 August and Thursday 20 August), students in Year 3 - Year 5 will host a student-led conference for their parents. During this process they will be supported by their Homeroom teacher. Students will use the learning portfolios as the focal point for these interviews. The students will lead the discussion and speak to parents about the included work samples, the learning intentions of each task and what they learnt from the activities. This will provide an authentic opportunity for the students to celebrate their work with parents. Teachers will be available to add comments during the interviews. Staff will move around the classroom offering support to students and answering questions from parents. There will be four interviews occurring at the same time and interviews will be scheduled for 15 minutes. A letter will be going home today explaining how to book the conferences. This is a new and exciting initiative for the Junior School. I hope you enjoy this experience. You will be given an opportunity to provide feedback after the interviews.

I wish the community a happy and enjoyable term.

*Mr Ashley Penny
Head of Cumberland*

Fairview School Notices

Welcome back to Term 3. It is a very busy term for us all and the transition begins for our 2015 Prep children and their families.

Let me take you on a journey!

*"It is impossible," said pride.
"It is risky," said experience.
"It is pointless," said reason
"Give it a try," whispered the HEART.
- Author unknown*

Let me take you on a journey! Our focus this semester is to continue our endeavours and try to take on challenges and experiences which will heighten our learning and interaction within our community. Our children are beginning to change in the way they interact with their world. They have become 'instant' participants in which they demand and experience immediate outcomes and this experience is reinforced by the digital world. I believe the digital world is an amazing resource; however, it should not be used as a time filler tool. The children should not be spending more than 30 minutes per evening on their gadgets.

People skills are essential, as they instil patience, tolerance, empathy, love and respect. We will endeavour to slow this process down and encourage more patience and the ability to listen to each other. We will support having-a-go, problem solving and encouraging the children to wait for the result to evolve. The children have time and we need to support their journey of exploring their world.

The Term 3 Assembly schedule is:

Chapel (9.00am) and Assembly (9.30am)

Week	Date	Year Level
1	20 July	Ms Neophytou
2	27 July	Two R
3	3 August	One K
4	10 August	Prep G
5	17 August	Two RY
6	24 August	One R
7	31 August	Prep K
8	7 September	Prep M
9	14 September	Two R

*Ms Kerrie Neophytou
Head of Fairview*

Careers News

Careers: The next few weeks are very important for our Year 10 students. Wednesday 22 July was the 2016 Year 11 Information Evening for students and their parents and then later in the week students had individual interviews with their Head of House. On Friday 24 July, Aitken Alumni returned to the College to share with the Year 10 students stories of their journeys post Aitken. On Monday 27 July the VCAL and VET Information Evening will take place. Also commencing next week, all Year 10 students will have a one-on-one interview with a member of the Careers team about their choices for 2016. There are some big decisions to be made this term, but there is a lot of help available to students to assist them in making choices about whether to undertake the VCE or VCAL and which subjects to study in Year 11 and Year 12.

After the Year 10 students have been interviewed, Careers staff will commence interviewing all the Year 12 students about their destinations in 2016 and beyond (life after Aitken). In terms of scheduling interviews for the Year 12 students, it would be helpful if students could identify themselves to us if they are considering applying for the La Trobe Aspire program or the new ACU 'Passion for Business' program (preliminary information in this newsletter). These applications close earlier than the VTAC applications in order that early offers can be made to eligible applicants, therefore we would like to talk to these students sooner rather than later. More information about both these programs will be provided at the VTAC Information Night and all Year 12 students attended a presentation on the Aspire program at La Trobe University earlier this year as part of the TIS excursion in May.

Career News 10: This is now available and contains information about Open Days, a Flight Attendant pre training course at William Angliss, scheduling of Medicine, Physiotherapy, Radiography and Medical Imaging interviews at Monash, sport at La Trobe, free overnight accommodation at Deakin Warrnambool for the Deakin Open Day, the new ACU 'Passion for Business' early offer program, the Melbourne Careers Expo, a new combined Construction and Plumbing pre apprenticeship course at RMIT and much more. The following link will take you to the careers newsletter: <http://www.aitkencollege.edu.au/educational-programs/careers/careers-newsletter/>.

Do not forget that Ms Gibbs and Mrs Borg are available to help students with any questions they might have about careers, courses and pathways. Please come and see us in Room B21 at the Careers Centre or telephone us on 9333 1866 or email your concerns or queries to: careers@aitkencollege.edu.au.

*Mrs Clare Borg and Ms Rae Gibbs
Careers Advisers*

Chaplain's Corner

In Matthew's Gospel (Ch.18), the disciples came to Jesus and asked Him, "Who is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?" Jesus called a little child to him and put the child among them. Then he said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn from your sins and become like little children, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven. So anyone who becomes as humble as this little child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven."

As we grow we tend to turn away from the purity that we begin with. I watch it happen in our students; asking a prep if they broke something is more likely to get an honest answer than asking a child in Year 4. We learn how to survive in our world by adopting the world's values and operating techniques. The disciples want Jesus to tell them which one of them is better than the other, but instead He informs them that a child is the greatest! The disciples were obviously doing a lot of good works for Jesus, yet by simply asking the question, they exposed their lack of awareness of what Jesus was trying to teach them. We can all learn a great deal from our children. They bring to us their whole selves; they do not compartmentalise parts of themselves for fear of rejection. They say it takes a village to raise a child, but a village without children lacks life!

I guess what I am saying is this: do not be afraid to be yourself, allow the call of the Spirit to invite you to the dance of life, be free, be young at heart, be “the greatest you” you can be! Allow the children to teach us freedom of spirit rather than using our own inhibitions to stop the children dancing and singing around us.

*Rev Jeanne Beale
Chaplain*

Humanities News

On 24 June, the Humanities Faculty introduced ‘Humanities Day’ to the school. A range of fun and educational experiences were on offer for students and staff. The day started off early, with staff competing for sugary treats by answering difficulty Humanities questions. A guest speaker from the History Teachers Association of Victoria talked to Year 8 and Year 9 students about ‘The Wonders of History’. Senior students were treated to an intriguing talk from a practising judge. Year 9 and Year 10 commerce students learnt about competitive trading, playing the merger and acquisitions game ‘Acquire’.

Year 6 students honed their estimation and finance skills with a game of ‘The Price is Right’. At lunch, more than 50 students competed in ‘The World’s Biggest Humanities Kahoot’, an IT-interactive quiz challenge. After lunch, 25 budding archaeologists were inspired by a hands-on demonstration of what practical archaeology has to offer. It was an enjoyable day for everyone who took part. A big thanks goes to all the students and staff who made it possible, especially Ms Koukoulides, Mrs Tabone, Mr Keegan, Mrs Mollica and Mrs Flynn.



*Mr Ben Lawless
Head of Faculty Humanities*

Languages News

Indonesian Exchange Students: For a short period during this term Aitken College is playing host to two Indonesian Year 10 girls from a Protestant school in Salatiga, Central Java. We thank the Pereira family for kindly offering to host one of our visitors. However, we are still looking for a family with students from any year level to play host to another. Having an exchange student is an excellent opportunity for your family to learn first-hand about another culture and often leads to lifelong friendships. It is also a great opportunity for the whole family to pick up a few skills in *Bahasa Indonesia*. If you are interested in finding out more about hosting one of our visitors please contact me via email at: sadams@aitkencollege.edu.au.

Year 10 Indonesian: During Term 2, the Year 10 Indonesian students under the guidance of Bu Tabone were involved in exciting activities which included an excursion to the Indonesian Film festival, visiting an Indonesian restaurant where they ordered in Indonesian and sampled some *makanan Indonesia yang enak* (delicious Indonesian food), and a visit to an Indonesian supermarket. Back at school they used some of the goods purchased to create a few delicious Indonesian meals with the assistance of Bu Tabone and Bu Raida. These are a few reports of their experiences:

Excursion - Indonesian Immersion Day

On 17 April the Year 10 Indonesian class found themselves in Melbourne City attending an Indonesian film screening presented by ACMI. The film, Hasduk Berpola (A Patterned Scarf), was a true delight to see and I felt that it really helped me with my sentence structure and pronunciation of words. Once the film ended, we completed a short activity which entailed us to read passages and find suitable gifts for our family on Swanston Street. Following the shopping we travelled together to an Indonesian restaurant called Blok M. We shared a meal which was really good and had a great time talking about the film. After this, we raced to an Asian supermarket and my group came first (of course). Here we looked around and found the listed shopping items and took great pleasure in taking photos of our friends holding up various foods. All in all, it was a great day and was really enjoyable.

Amanda Moore

On Friday 17 April, the Year 10 Indonesian class travelled into the city. We watched a movie entitled 'Hasduk Berpola' (patterned scarf) which opened me up to another movie that could help with learning the Indonesian language. After we had watched the film, we all travelled to an Indonesian restaurant called Blok M which had many traditional Indonesian foods. After ordering the food in Indonesian, we all waited for our meals. I had ordered 'ayam goreng' (fried chicken) and it included rice and peanut sauce. When my meal finally came the first thing I did was pour the peanut sauce over my rice. As I took my first bite, my mouth went on fire. It was that spicy that I started crying! My friend Josh ended up eating my rice while I had the chicken. The chicken was amazing and it tasted beautiful. Enak sekali! Walking around the city made me feel a little more independent and I enjoyed it a lot. The Indonesian excursion was an amazing experience and I would love to visit that restaurant again in the future!

Makaela Malignaggi



The Language Excursion Day was a day well spent in the city starting with an Indonesian film called 'Hasduk Berpola'. This film describes a young boy called 'Budi' who throughout the film matures into a young boy who goes after his dreams of becoming a boy scout. This movie was very interesting and had a great back story. By immersing ourselves in the language we were able to understand the context throughout the whole movie; I would encourage students to study Indonesian further during high school as it is definitely worth it.

Emily McPherson

The Language Immersion Day gave us an opportunity to truly discover the Indonesian culture through food, the movie we watched and the directions we had to follow. It was a day full of fun and laughter! The movie 'Hasduk Berpola' was very interesting and I learnt more about the history of Indonesia. I also ate 'ayam goreng' for lunch which was very, very delicious (I recommend going to Blok M, on Little Bourke Street)!

Jobelle Marasigan

The Language Immersion Day was full of fun whilst it improved our class' Indonesian speaking skills by communicating with a wide range of people, whether that was the Indonesian film screening 'Hasduk Berpola' or trying different Indonesian delicacies at the restaurant 'Blok M'. Special thanks to Bu Tabone and Bu Raida for taking us on such a wonderful trip around the city discovering different and insightful aspects about the country of Indonesia?

Isabella Jovanovski

Our Year 10 Indonesian class went on an excursion together to watch "Hasduk Berpola" at ACMI at Federation Square as a part of our Indonesian semester one course. It was a really great day; commuting by train to the city with all of our friends and we left the cinema learning just a little bit more about the culture and issues that Indonesia faces. After seeing the film, we trotted off down Little Bourke Street to Blok M Indonesian restaurant to test out our food ordering skills. We left the day with a greater understanding of one of our closest Asian neighbours and a good chance to practice our Indonesian listening and speaking skills.

Joshua Pereira

Indonesian Cooking class Reflection

As a part of the Year 10 Indonesian curriculum our class cooked a traditional Indonesian dessert known as 'Pisang Goreng' (fried bananas). We worked in small groups to prepare the bananas and batter as well as the sugar and cinnamon that the fried bananas were rolled in after being fried. It was an enjoyable and tasty experience that enhanced our knowledge of Indonesian cooking terms.

Helen Sassine

Our Year 10 Indonesian Elective class cooked 'pisang goreng' (banana fritters) last week. I liked how we had to read and cook the Indonesian recipe because it made us have to try to interact with the items and show us exactly what we needed to do. It was another form of learning and the food was an added bonus.



Terima kasih!

Mr Simon Adams
Head of Faculty Languages

Family Science Night

Family Science Night will be held in the second week of Term 3, Thursday 30 July between 6.00pm and 7.30pm in the Senior School VCE Building (Common Room 1). This year, the theme is 'The Science of Light'. There will be lots of fun experiments to light up your world. All ages are welcome, so bring the whole family.

Dr Adele Hudson
Head of Faculty Science

We are eSmart

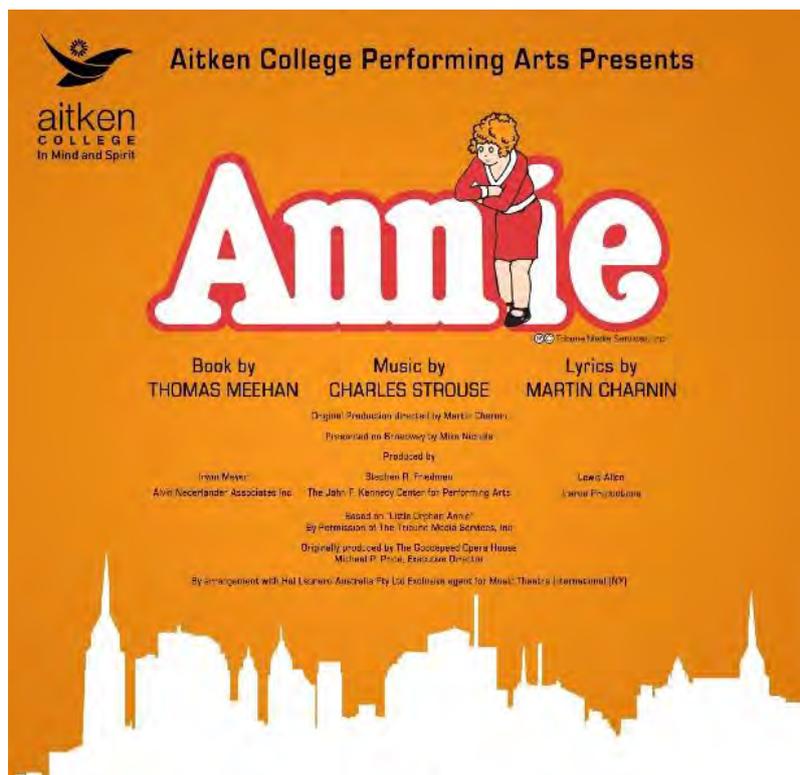
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Our school is proud to announce we are now officially an eSmart school.

Since we first registered with the program, we have introduced many new policies and activities to improve the way our school manages cybersafety, bullying and cyberbullying.

We feel confident our students, staff and the wider school community are now well supported to be smart, safe and responsible users of digital technology.

We encourage everyone in the school community to continue to uphold and promote eSmart behaviours, at school and at home. If you are aware of any incidents of bullying, cyberbullying or risky online behaviour, please contact the Principal or our eSmart Co-ordinator.



Friday 31 July at 7:30pm
Saturday 1 August at 2:00pm and 7:30pm
Thursday 6 August at 4:00pm
(Please note: no show 7 August)
Saturday 8 August at 2:00pm

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MUSICAL DIRECTOR Miss Juanita Foreman
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Mrs Natasha Radley

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1010 Mickleham Road, Greenvale

TICKETS www.trybooking.com

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY 2015 FUNDRAISER

email: admin@aitkencollege.edu.au

You still have time to purchase a space for 2015!

This is a very inexpensive way to advertise your business for a twelve month period. Aitken families (and friends) may purchase a space for \$50.00 to promote their business in the 2015 Community Business Directory. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be used by the Parents & Friends Association to improve the College environment, facilities and equipment, for the benefit of all our students.

To be part of this most valuable fundraiser, please complete the attached form and return with your payment to the Accounts office as soon as possible

Current bookings include:

ACCOUNTING & FINANCIAL SERVICES

Mortgage Choice

Mortgage Broker, Financial Planner and Insurance – we provide a free service for finding the best mortgage to suit your needs. We also provide a financial planning service and insurance.

Contact details:

Chris Howitt

☎ 9333 4370 m: 0401 334 599

📧 E: chris.howitt@mortgagechoice.com.au

SBC Business Services Pty Ltd

With over 30-years' experience I can service all your taxation, accounting and business needs.

Contact details:

Bernadette Crane, CPA

☎ 9308 1382 m: 0427 941 760

📧 E: sbcbusiness@iprimus.com.au

BUILDING SUPPLIES

Artistic Stile & Stone [ABN: 32 288 569 078]

Supplier of quality wall and floor tiles, stone and mosaics. Supplier of tiling materials and accessories.

Contact details:

Lucy Costa

☎ m: 0430 293 255

📧 [coming soon and Facebook](#)

📧 E: info@artisticstileandstone.com.au

Pro Design Tiling Solutions [ABN: 32 288 569 078]

Covering all of Melbourne, we are a trusted and experienced tiling company which provides services for the following:

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Contact details:

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☎ m: 0407 571 641

📧 www.prodesigntiling.com.au and Facebook

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DANCE STUDIO

The Dance Room

The Dance Room offers classes in Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Hip Hop, Breakdance, Acrobatics and Singing. We have three locations - Tullamarine, Glenroy and West Brunswick. Frist class free.

Contact details:

Marnie Petch

☎ 9338 2065 m: 0418 883 608

📧 www.the.danceroom.net

📧 E: marnielson@bigpond.com

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DENTAL

FirstBite Dental - Essendon

Welcome to FirstBite Dental – Essendon. You've just found one of the most comprehensive dentists in Essendon. As an accredited Dental Practice with ADA, FirstBite Dental offers complete cosmetic dentistry, general dentistry and orthodontic services.

Contact details:

Aurora Hauth

☎ 9379 1893

🌐 www.firstbite.com.au

Greenvale Dental Group

Greenvale Dental Group is your local dentist located inside the Greenvale Shopping Centre. Dr Soraya Eakins and her team are passionate about modern, gentle dentistry – specialising in family, emergency, sedation and cosmetic dentistry.

Contact details:

Greenvale Dental Group

☎ 9333 6854

🌐 www.greenvaledentalgroup.com.au

HAIR & BEAUTY

Hair 4 Kids – Airport West

Hairdressing for babies, toddlers, primary and secondary school kids. A colourful salon where children can play PlayStation and watch DVD's whilst waiting. We at the salon also provide haircuts for families.

Contact details:

Con Hondrogiannis

☎ 9310 4696

🌐 [Facebook- Hair4Kids – Airport West](#)

📧 E: hair4kidsairportwest@gmail.com

Perfect Pout Hair & Make-up

Almost 10-years in the Bridal industry – specialising in hair and airbrush make-up, which lasts up to 24-hours – tear and perspiration proof- and gives a flawless finish to the skin, making it perfect for HD photography.

Contact details:

Helen Shamsabadi

☎ m: 0419 520 905

🌐 www.perfectpout.com.au

📧 E: info@perfectpout.com.au

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Full service salon specialising in hairups, hairdressing, make-up, spray tans, waxing, facials and massages. Deb packages are available including hair, spray tan, nails and makeup. Call our friendly salon and book now.

Contact details:

Deb Casey

☎ 9744 1635 m: 0408 054 483

🌐 www.synergyhbm.com.au

📧 E: accounts@synergyhbm.com.au

HEALTH & FITNESS

Julie's Fitness Studio

Personal trainer to improve your health and fitness in a very private studio with complete gymnasium – quality gym equipment, weight loss program and body toning. Pricing: \$30 per 1-hour session (group sessions also available).

Contact details:

Julie Theuma

☎ m: 0425 719 444

MUSIC LESSONS

Greenvale Music School

Music lessons for all ages and levels, in the following instruments: Piano, Violin, Guitar, Drums, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone and Singing.

Contact details:

Jenaye Lanser-Block

☎ m: 0401 497 612

📧 E: greenvalemusicschool@gmail.com

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TENNIS & FITNESS

Complete Tennis Services

We are affiliated with Tennis Australia and provide tennis programs as well as competitions for the whole family, including: Hotshots, Tennis Xpress, Cardio Tennis, Fast4 Competitions and social events. We have three locations in Hume: Craigieburn and Greenvale Tennis Clubs and the new Hume Tennis and Community Centre.

Contact details:

Nathan Xuereb

☎ 1300 486 382

🌐 www.humetennis.com.au

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Michael Kerry

☎ m: 0417 396 795

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Art Studio – Drawing and Painting

The Studio provides Drawing and Painting Tuition for students of all ages. After school classes are run by a qualified teacher in small groups with materials provided..

Contact details:

Silvia Parisi

☎ m: 0414 466 572

Hume Maths and English Tutoring

Year 4, 5 and 6 Maths and English tutoring. Available in Greenvale, Attwood, Westmeadows, Gladstone Park, Tullamarine and Craigieburn. For further details, please phone Yullia on 0405 380 267.

Contact details:

Yullia Beteramia

☎ m: 0405 380 267

🌐 E: yulliabeteramia@yahoo.com

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Thank you to all the above service providers for submitting your applications.
We look forward to receiving many more from our College community.

Yours sincerely

Siobhan Short

President - Aitken College Parents & Friends Association



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\$50.00 PER SPACE

**Please complete and return this form – with your payment
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FAMILY NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____

EMAIL: _____

BUSINESS NAME: _____

BUSINESS TYPE: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____
_____ Postcode _____

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER: _____ BUSINESS MOBILE: _____

BUSINESS WEBSITE: _____

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION: (50 words or less)

CHEQUE \$ _____ payable to Aitken College Parents & Friends Association

CASH \$ _____

CREDIT CARD: MasterCard Visa Amex

Card Number:

Expiry Date:

\$ _____

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____ Date: ___/___/2015