PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

ALBURY HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM

Over the holiday period it seems students always grow inches, so in preparation for next year as parents and students get ready for school, can I please remind you of our uniform policy and expectations. Generally our uniform is excellent in terms of the tops and bottoms worn. There are a few exceptions such as the trend of wearing black socks and non compliant shoes. In 2016 we will have a particular focus on these issues. Unless students have a note, they will be spoken to as per our policy and receive a detention. Students out of uniform will not be able to represent the school. Please only purchase shoes that are compliant with the attached school policy which ensures we will meet WH&S requirements. Should any one have any difficulty purchasing the required uniform, assistance is available. Please contact Mrs Quinn, Head Teacher Welfare.

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones need to be off and in bags during class time unless students have specific permission to use them from staff for educational purposes. For example, taking a picture of their work. Otherwise the phones will be confiscated, the second time they are confiscated they will be given to the Deputy Principal and parents will need to collect them. Students have recently improved considerably in this area and we thank everyone for their cooperation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of Albury High School this year and hope you have a safe and enjoyable break.

Mr Darryl Ward

STUDENT SUPPORT FOR 2016

Mrs Quinn will be available on book pack day - Wednesday 20th January from 9:00am to 3:00pm to help support families requiring assistance with books and uniform items. Please see Mrs Quinn on this day in the Learning & Engagement Centre (the old house).

Mrs Deb Quinn
Head Teacher Welfare

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- **Laura Thompson & Emma Hooppell** who were recipients of the Kwong Lee Dow Scholarship.
- **Laura Thompson** who recently competed at the NSW Laser State Championships for sailing at Lake Macquarie. Laura Thompson also competed at the State Debating Championships earlier this month.
- A number of our current students, and 2016 Year 7 students, have successfully auditioned and gained a place in one of the two 2016 Senior Riverina Albury Dance Ensembles. This year the applicants were of a particularly high standard and so these girls should be congratulated on their selection:
  - Renee Boyd Yr 9, Kara Gratton Yr 10, Mia Johannis (Yr 7 2016),
  - Elise Keeping (Yr 11 2016), Asha Kelly Yr 10,
  - Alanah Kilo (Yr 7 2016), Asha Krautz (Yr 7 2016),
  - Yasmin Linssen Yr 7, Lucy Nagle Yr 10, Rebecca Scott ( Yr7 2016) & Chloe Sheridan Yr 10

BRONZE, SILVER & GOLD MEDALLIONS

Congratulations to the following students who have recently earned medallions in the schools merit system. A bronze medallion requires 36 merits, Silver 72 merits and Gold an enormous 108 merits. An outstanding effort by all of the students involved.

**BRONZE:** Jamieson Ayton, Jessica Hamilton, Isabel Mitchell, Amisha Poudyel, Kelsey Shaw, Jake Telford, Bella Willinck, Robert Cardwell, Rowan Cranage, Nolan McFarland, Corbin Reid, Liv Williams, Ashley Wurtz, Cody Brinkworth, Kate Crawford, paige Duncan, Louisa Harrison, Shashini Senadirante, Eliana Watson-Arditi & Daniel Norden

**SILVER:** Asha Kelly, Lucy Nagle, Laura Thomson & Milla Reid

**GOLD:** Matthew Armstrong

Mrs Deb Quinn
Head Teacher Welfare
YEAR 9 SOLAR CAR CHALLENGE - 2015
Seven year 9 boys participated in this year’s Solar Car Challenge at Wilson Transformers in Wodonga. The boys had been working on the development of their solar car for about 15 weeks until race day on Friday 30th October.

The day was partly overcast which presented the team with some obstacles to overcome, relying on battery back up to race at times.

At start time there were some technical issues that cost the team dearly but these were sorted out to finish the race strongly. The Albury High School team finished eighth out of eleven teams which was a fine result considering the issues that had to be overcome.

Many thanks must go to Cameron Walker from K Dec Solar who gave up many hours of his valuable time to mentor the team through the building process of the solar car.

Well done boys for representing the school so well.

The team from left to right are: Jack Elliott, Ryan Agnew, Xeno Holdgate, Cameron Walker (K Dec), Lachlan Goss, Micah Holdgate, Mr Jacob, Nick Hill and Luke Wilson.

Mr Scott Jacob
Year 9 Electronics Teacher

YEAR 11 ENGINEERING STUDIES WOLLONGONG EXCURSION
On Monday 2nd November, our Year 11 Engineering Studies class left for Wollongong University to further our engineering knowledge. We departed the school at 9:00am and arrived at Mittagong mid-afternoon to visit the only fine furniture school in Australia. We learned the process of the creation of fine furniture and we were all very inspired by the amazing creations. We then left for our accommodation where we all took part in a game of mini golf. The next day we left for the University bright and early after a good healthy breakfast. We started the day with some electrical engineering, creating an electrical generator and setting it up to the grid. We then proceeded to watch an industrial robot write some welcoming words on a whiteboard. We continued circling around the University learning different branches of Engineering and stopped for lunch. After we finished with the programming of a line following robot, we got back in the bus and listened to the Melbourne Cup. After a long trip and much sleeping we arrived back at Albury at 9:00pm with lots of new skills.

Lachi Agnew, Year 11

YEAR 11 DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY RMIT EXCURSION
On Friday 20th November our Year 11 Design and Technology Class travelled to Melbourne by train at 6:30am to see the Industrial Design exhibition at RMIT. We arrived in Melbourne around 10:30am after which we met with Simon, an industrial design lecturer from the university. He showed us the facilities such as their workshop and their office areas. He then walked us to the exhibition and we were shown both the industrial and architectural design projects. Simon provided the whole group with useful insights and knowledge to help us build our Major Design Projects. We returned to Albury at 6:00pm on a really hot train. Thank you to Mr Miller and Mr Fletcher for taking us on the trip.

Year 11 Design & Technology Class

TERM 4 COMING EVENTS
WEEK 11
Tuesday 15th December Presentation Assembly
Wednesday 16th December Last day of School for students

TERM 1 2016 COMING EVENTS
WEEK 1 & 2
Wednesday 27th January Staff Development Day
Thursday 28th January Term 1 commences for Years 7, 11, 12 & new enrolments
Friday 29th January Term 1 commences for Years 8,9 & 10
Tuesday 2nd February University of Wollongong Trip for selected Year 12 students
P&C NEWS

BOOK PACKS 2016

Book pack sales are the major fund raising initiative of the Albury High School P&C. Your support is greatly appreciated.

All students should have now received book pack order forms. If you missed receiving a copy or have lost the form, please see Mrs Wilson in the library for a new one. Forms are also available on the AHS website.

All Year 6 students have received their forms at the ‘Taste of High School’ days held earlier this month.

Payment is made on Collecton Day by cash, cheque (payable to AHS P&C Assoc), Mastercard & Visa. There is no EFTPOS on the day. A P&C representative will also be available at school from Monday 30th Nov from 2pm to 3.30pm for advance payment of 2016 school fees or book pack payments.

Barkers OPD will be supplying the AHS book packs for 2016. The Book Pack order form also includes voluntary contributions (which include the school magazine), subjects fees for Year 7 and 8 and sport shirt and hat orders. Elective fees for Years 9 – 12 are billed separately in 2016.

Please consider supporting the P&C when purchasing school requirements for 2016 as all profits from sales, plus voluntary school contributions, are used in projects within the school.

Important Dates:

- NOW DUE: Book Pack order forms should have been returned to Albury High School. We are however still collecting forms
- Wednesday 20th Jan, 2016: Book pack collection day at the AHS Old Gym (NO EFTPOS payments on this day – cash, cheque, Mastercard or Visa only)
- Catch up collection: 10am – 1pm in Old Gym on Friday 22nd Jan, Monday 25th Jan, Wednesday 27th Jan & Thursday 28th Jan.

COMMUNITY NEWS

FLYAWAY GYMNASTICS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Looking for something fun to book your children into these school holidays? Flyaway Gymnastics is offering school holiday programs at both our Albury and Wodonga venues, running both weeks of the holidays.

We have our regular holiday feature which is a structured two hour program for Primary school children aged 5-12 years. Children learn to balance, roll, flip and twist. We are also offering trampoline and dance gym workshops which give children aged 5-16 years something a little different. Bookings are essential. For more information on prices* and times please call (02) 60411127 Albury or (02) 60241129 Wodonga or visit www.flyawaygymnastics.com.au

*Special offer for school students who have participated in a Flyaway Gymnastics school gymnastics program. Book in a friend and receive your session at 1/2 price. Please quote “school Gym Offer” and your school when booking in for this discounted price. Conditions apply.

THE RACE AGAINST DEMENTIA STARTS WITH YOU! REGISTRATION AT MEMORYWALK.COM.AU

WALK, RUN OR JOG IN ALBURY-WODONGA MEMORY WALK & JOG

Sunday 22 May 2016
Belvoir Park, Wodonga
Everyone is welcome – all ages and fitness levels encouraged!
Support the work Alzheimer’s Australia does in Albury-Wodonga.

REGISTER NOW AT MEMORYWALK.COM.AU

WALK. RUN OR JOG CAN’T MAKE IT?

If you prefer to raise dementia awareness, sign up:

Memory Walk. If you can’t attend the walk, set up an event of your own in your area and encourage your friends, family and co-workers to join in.

Or if you’d like to get your friends, family and colleagues together and organise your own event, ask us about:

NSW Education Proud Member of Crossing Point Learning Community ‘Creating our Future’
Victorian High Country International DANCE CAMP
Howman's Gap Alpine Centre

Fantastic high quality dance training in three fully equipped studios plus all the fun of camp with exciting outdoor adventure activities!

18th-23rd January 2016
At the magnificent YMCA Residential Camp Facilities

For dancers of all abilities
7-9 year olds Short-stay 2 day program
10 years & over 6 days and 5 nights
Daily casual classes for kids & adults
Adults 'Retreat' package
Specialist boys classes

For further information visit
www.vicdancecamp.org
or call 0414402588

FOOTY FUN FITNESS HEALTH!

COME AND TAKE A SPECKY!
Footballs biggest inflatable Event!

Proudly brought to you by: Albury City Aboriginal Youth Committee

Specky Dreaming - Footballs Biggest Inflatable event
+ Indigenous Hip Hop Projects Dance Workshop and Performance
Sunday 13 December 2015 3.30pm-7.00pm - Hovell Tree Park Albury
Free Family Event and scheduled community oven bake - BYO picnic rugs and chairs
For further information please contact: Tasha Biggs 0416 471 185

Kate Hargreaves

GET A GRIP ON TENNIS

4 Days - 12 hours of tennis skills, fun and exercise;
Never Played? Great opportunity to give tennis a go. Different programs for all from 4 years and up. Equipment supplied if required.
- Four Day clinic, 12 hours of being introduced to the game, honing your skills, or for the more experienced being pushed out of your comfort zone! Informative fun packed action!

@ Albury Tennis Club; Mitchell street Albury
Monday 14th—Thursday 17th December
Monday 21st—Thursday 24th December
Monday 18th—Thursday 21st January
9am till 12 noon: Cost $ 120
Bookings essential through Kate:
A maximum of 8 pupils per group!
Morning tea provided.

Contact Kate @ Get A Grip on Tennis
Mobile: 0418 572 626
E-mail:
kate@getagripontennis.com

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UNIFORM POLICY

ALBURY HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SERIES

The Albury High School uniform policy is set out for ensuring safety and uniformity. It stipulates that all students must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Must be BLACK in colour
- Have a LEATHER belt
- Be fastened and fully enclosed to the ankle

This is to be in line with the Department of Education's policy, which states that all footwear must ensure the safety of students, and thus the specification of leather materials.

The following items shall not be worn:
- BLACK BELT
- ORANGE UNIFORM

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