



# Aberfoyle Park High School

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## Newsletter

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Diary Dates	
<b>May</b>	
25	Principal Tour
26	Yr 11 Drama Yr 12 Aquatics
27	Yr 12 Aquatics
30	Yr 12 Aquatics Bell Shakespeare
<b>June</b>	
1	Principal Tour
2	St Augustine Concert
6	Band Night
7	Yr 12 Photo
9	Dance Production
10	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
13	<b>QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
14	Finance Meeting 6.30 Governing Council 7.30
14-17	Yr 11 Bushwalking
16	<b>Immunisation Day PLP Round Tables</b>
20 -23	<b>Yr 12 Exams</b>
24	End of Semester 1
27	Semester 2 commences
30	<b>YR 12 FORMAL</b>

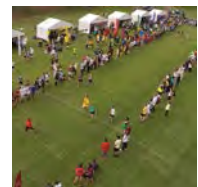
## SPORTS DAY 2016

Sports Day 2016 dawned bright and sunny as colour coordinated students and staff from the six houses boarded the buses to the Flinders University playing fields for an action packed fun day. 2016 was the first time that the whole school participated in Sports Day and it would be fair to say that a great time was had by all.

Competition was good humoured all day with everyone keeping a close eye on the scores. It was neck and neck as the leaderboard changed throughout the day, so who the winning team would be was left hanging in the balance.

However, the eventual scores were:

House	Points	Position
<b>BARRASI</b>	1691	1
<b>BRADMAN</b>	1679	2
<b>MONEGHETTI</b>	1617	3
<b>FRASER</b>	1613	4
<b>THORPE</b>	1444	5
<b>FREEMAN</b>	1259	6



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## ANZAC DAY ASSEMBLY 2016

I know I probably say it each year but truly this year's ANZAC assembly was the best one I have had the pleasure of attending. The students were exceptionally well behaved and our Student Captains, Amy Davis and Lachlan Bruce, demonstrated beyond doubt that they were an outstanding choice as our student leaders. The assembly was a very moving tribute with Amy, Lachlan and Mr. David Matthews, Vice President of the Blackwood RSL, our special guest all sharing their thoughts about ANZAC Day. Mr. David Matthews also recited the Ode to the Fallen. I also had the privilege of presenting the ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership and Teamwork Awards to Mansa Sukheja.

Liz Mead



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## INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVES IGNITE

Authors undertake research to engage an audience. This important lesson was instilled in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Ignite students as they worked towards producing a narrative in Term I through a visit to the 'Living Kurna Cultural Centre' - Warriparinga. The tour, guided by a member of the Kurna community, built deeper understandings of the Kurna culture and also explored the connection that a wide range of other cultures have with the traditional custodians of Warriparinga.

IGNITE students had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the Kurna way of life, tasting bush tucker, learning about the connection that the Kurna people have with the land and the knowledge that is embedded in this connection with their natural surroundings. The importance of storytelling as a mode of communication was another critical learning experience, enabling students to value the different ways that human beings are able to record and express what they know. For example the relationship between the weather and native flora has enabled the Kurna people to 'bio-engineer' medicine for fifty thousand years.

These new and rich understandings were invaluable as the students planned and wrote narrative pieces incorporating and exploring the Kurna way of life, exploring and using the Kurna language and communicating authentically.

**Brionie Mensforth and Karla Huffa**

## SACE ART SHOW

Congratulations to former students Ben Schofield and Madyson Tunn who have both been selected to have their artwork displayed



at the SACE Art Show 2016. Ben is exhibiting his multiple media digital prints entitled 'Heroes' and 'Heroes: The Guardian', while Madyson is showcasing her graphite pencil on paper drawing called 'Twisted'. Their work is among more than 130 pieces selected for display at the Show. This year's exhibition features traditional paintings and drawings, sculptures, costumes and multimedia works created by Year 12 students who have completed their SACE Visual Arts – Art, and Visual Arts – Design subjects.

The Show, open at the Light Square Gallery until May 4, is designed to inspire current and future SACE art and design students and raise awareness about how these subjects can be used as stepping stones to higher education and career pathways.

Show visitors have an opportunity to win a prize worth \$500 by simply voting for their favorite piece as part of the *Community Award*, sponsored by Credit Union SA. Also, a "Meet the Artists" afternoon will be held on Saturday 16 April to enable visitors to get a greater insight into the creative processes and inspiration behind a number of the works.

For further information about the SACE Art Show, visit: [sace.sa.edu.au/news/events/sace-art-show](http://sace.sa.edu.au/news/events/sace-art-show) or follow @saceboard on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

## HARMONY DAY

On the 24<sup>th</sup> March, AHS celebrated Harmony Day embracing the theme "Our Diversity is our Strength".

Student Voice coordinated the day and encouraged the school community to showcase what diversity means to them through a Casual Day and the promotion of messages from many different focus groups.

It was great to see large numbers of students participate in activities that celebrate the diversity of our community and the backgrounds of our students.

The vibe through lunchtime activities was very energetic. We saw students enjoying the music, demonstrating teamwork and pledging to accept the diversity of others, as well as participating in traditions that are native to different regions from around the world.

**Sam Mosley & Carol Davey**





### WORLD CHALLENGE UPDATE

At the end of the year, 12 students from Year 10 and 11 will be embarking upon an eye opening 'World Challenge' expedition in Malaysia for one month.

In order to prepare for this trip we took part in a training camp late last term at Mt Crawford Forest Reserve, learning all the ins and outs about backpacking. The students were left in charge to plan their menu and budgets and two team members were required to purchase all the necessary groceries. As a whole the team worked very well together to produce 3 meals a day that were of course nutritious and delicious.

The focus of this camp was to prepare and gain some vital skills required for the expedition in Malaysia. This included testing necessary equipment as well as experiencing potential scenarios they may encounter.

The students experienced first hand issues that may arise while in country from 'pickpocketing' (where a student's mobile phone was stolen), loss of team members and even to medical emergencies. We were required to treat the scenarios as real situations and had to work as a team to resolve the issues.

Overall the training expedition was a very demanding 36 hours. However, we worked very well with each other to form one team and prepare for the journey they will embark upon later this year.

Sam Mosley



### THE SA POWER NETWORK DRONE CHALLENGE UPDATE

Year 8 and 9 students at Aberfoyle Park High have now attended the Induction Day at SA power Networks Angle Park Training Centre. As part of their overall report, teams will be busy formulating Safe Operating Procedures for the use of their drones and for charging the powerful lithium polymer batteries. Last term the students were visited by Jon Ward from Skyward Aerial Imaging who gave students a demonstration of his commercially operated drone. Students were interested in looking at Jon's website which displayed much of the work he has carried out using the drone, both here, and overseas.

<http://skywardimaging.com.au/>

Russell Johns

**TABLE TENNIS CHAMPION CONGRATULATIONS** to Marsha Guseva on her latest table tennis achievements. Most recently she played in the World Junior Circuit and Ocean Championships at which she won a silver and gold for the U/18 Girls Teams for the respective tournaments, a silver medal for the U/18 Girls Singles and a bronze for U/18 Girls Doubles. Also, last year Marsha played in the national Australian Championships where she came 2nd in the Under 18 Girls Singles and has now been ranked 3rd in Australia for the following year. Well done to Marsha and we wish her the best in her upcoming championships.

Liz Mead



### RELAY FOR LIFE

On the last weekend of the school holidays, 50 students from APHS participated in the Adelaide Central Relay for Life at the Adelaide Showgrounds - an event that strives to raise money and awareness for Cancer Council SA.

In the lead up to this event the students worked very hard to fundraise and I am extremely proud to say that APHS students and their families raised \$8,436 for this meaningful cause.

Our four teams worked together to keep their batons circling the track for 20 consecutive hours throughout the night, through the cold weather, thunderstorm, heavy rain and strong winds. Students embraced the challenge and took the opportunity to bond with new friends and enjoy each other's company.

Our students showed a wonderful sense of community and as always were true ambassadors of our school values. As a result of their spirit, hard work and attitudes, APHS was awarded the **"Best Youth Team Award" by Cancer Council SA.**

I would like to thank all students, families and staff who were involved in the event and in fundraising.

We are looking forward to making the Relay for Life an annual event for APHS and growing our team in 2017.

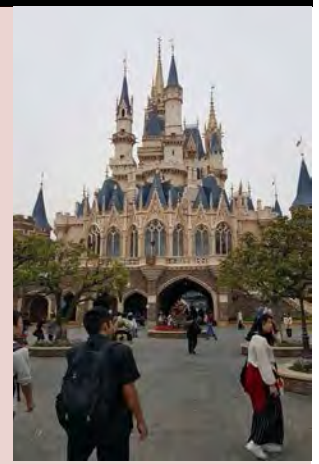
Sam Mosley

## YEAR 10 MISHIMA, JAPAN SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

During the April school holidays, I was one of five very fortunate students to go to Japan on an all-expenses paid two week Mishima Scholarship. Each student represented different schools in Adelaide, and I represented Aberfoyle Park High School.

During the two weeks, I stayed with a host family, and my host brother and I were in the same class. I stayed in a very big family, and they were so kind to me that words were not enough to thank them. The Japanese food they made me was delicious and mesmerising.

Half of the trip was spent at Mishima Nihon University; an absolutely beautiful school. During the five days I attended school, I stepped inside the shoes of an everyday Japanese high school student. The Japanese school system is very different to Australia, reminding me about my schooling in China before I came to Australia. Within this short period of time, I made some unforgettable friends who will later come to Adelaide and study for one year.



The other half of the trip was visiting famous tourist attractions in Japan, such as Hakone and Disneyland, as well as walking around the city of Mishima. Sunday was the only day of the week without school, and my host family took me to one of Japan's most thrilling and exciting theme parks; Fuji-Q Highland. It was one of the theme parks that I always wanted to go, and they fulfilled my wish.

In the short time of 10 days, I made some golden memories and I'm looking forward to meeting my Japanese friends again when they come to study in Australia next year. I would like to thank the two teachers who took us to Japan. I recommend this wonderful trip to students studying Japanese, it's a fantastic experience and you will not be disappointed.

Simon Li

*Applications for the 2017 Year 9 scholarship will be called for in Term 3, 2016 and will be open to all year 9 students studying Japanese in 2017. If interested, please see Mr Webb or Mrs Nicolle for more information.*



## COME JOIN US

**Year 8 Languages Evening  
Tuesday June 28th at 6pm**

Come and join us to hear from University experts about futures with Languages, find out more about trips to our sister schools and enjoy taste-testing food from Japan and Spain.

Look out for a note coming home in the next few weeks with your year 8 student or email: [avinter@aphs.sa.edu.au](mailto:avinter@aphs.sa.edu.au)

## Interested in becoming a Home Stay Family?

Are you able to host a Study Tour Student? Please contact Sarah Johnson for an information pack on 8270 4455 and select Senior Floor or email her on [Sarah.Johnson@aphs.sa.edu.au](mailto:Sarah.Johnson@aphs.sa.edu.au)

Aberfoyle Park High School  
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# The Art of Movement

Semester 1 Dance Production

Thursday 9 June 2016  
7.30pm  
Hopgood Theatre  
Noarlunga Centre

Tickets \$9.90 inc. GST (No Concession) available from APHS Cashier's Office Week 2  
Please note: Tickets will not be available from the Box Office on the night

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Managing Eczema Free Event

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