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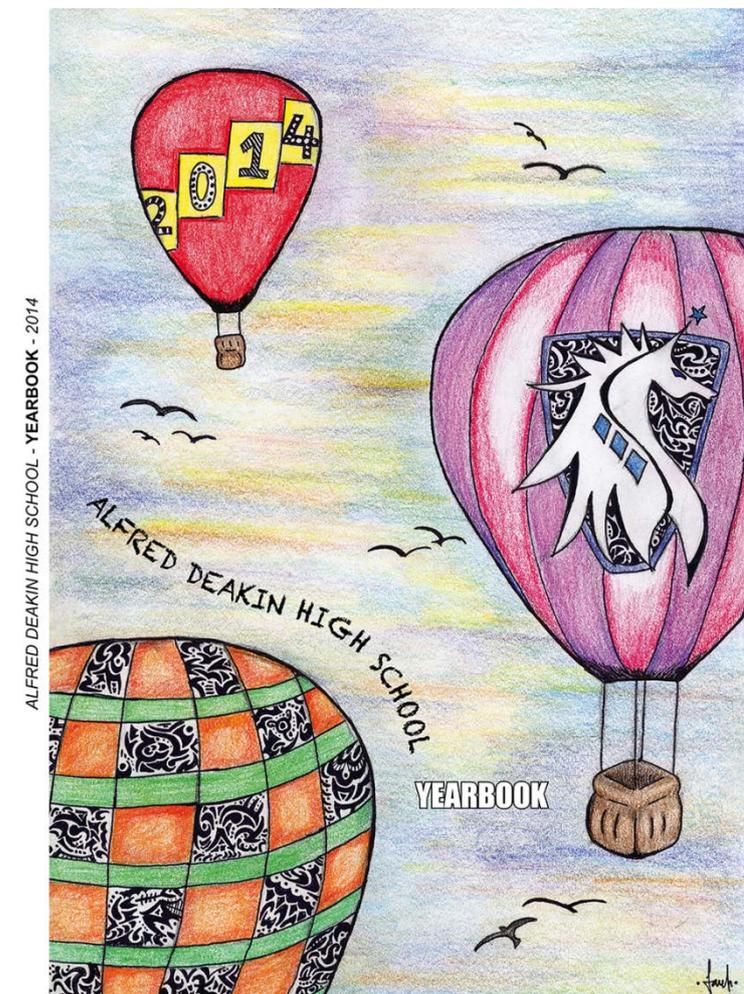
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We acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay our respects to their elders, past, present and future.

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2014 Yearbook cover by Sarah Putri - Year 10

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The **Year 6/7 disco** was held last Wednesday evening. It was encouraging to see so many of our Year 6 students (140) in attendance. They mingled well with over 100 of our current Year 7 students and Year 9 Youth Leaders. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our Student Engagement Team for their organisation of the night; the teachers who gave up their time to provide supervision at the event and the students who made the disco such a success.

It was also wonderful to welcome new parents to the school community and, while the disco was happening, provide them with a presentation of the **BYOD initiative at ADHS and the Google platform for managing online student learning** and collaborating on tasks. Parents are encouraged to be most active in this space and we will offer another Parent Forum next year. Thank you so much to Cameron Foster and Jenny Feltham for their amusing and informative presentation attended by more than 130 parents.

The Alfred Deakin High School **Presentation and Year 10 Graduation Night** will be held on **Wednesday December 10th** at 6.00 pm in the Hall. During the evening we will recognise the sustained achievement of students over the last year. **All parents are welcome to attend** this event, to celebrate the achievement of Alfred Deakin High students and a specific invitation will be sent to parents of students receiving an award. Students will be issued with a Year 10 Portfolio containing their Year 10 Certificate, report and attendance records.

The 2014 Yearbook publication is an exceptional publication, comprising a summary of student's experiences over time, with beautifully crafted reports and images of staff and students. The Yearbook will be available for collection (for Year 10 students who attended the formal) following the Graduation event in the Canteen. I thank all students and staff involved in its production, and in particular to **Mr. Scott Calder** for his amazing creativity, vision and rendition of staff groupings. His tireless efforts, sleepless nights and passion are exceptional and very much appreciated by all of us in the ADHS school community. Thank you. The 2014 Yearbook can be purchased from the Finance office for \$20.

Recognition of student achievement is a high priority and we acknowledge this in a variety of ways throughout the year, including the Merit Award system, reports in the Digest and recognition at full school assemblies. **Year Assemblies** will be held on

Tuesday 9th December during the day. **Parents are welcome to attend these events at which students will be presented Personal Achievement and Academic Excellence Awards by Year Coordinators.** The schedule of assemblies in the Hall is as follows:

Year 7: 2pm – 3pm

Year 8: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm

Year 9: 9.15 am – 10.15 am

All students will be issued with **Semester 2 attendance data and reports on Tuesday 16th December.**

Goodbye to all Year 10 Students 2014! ADHS and Woden School at Formal.

A very special **Year 10 Formal** will be held at Old Parliament House on Tuesday, 9th December. We are very excited that **Year 10 Woden School** students are joining us for the first time in this memorable 'rite of passage' event. All Year 10 students must be at the venue by 6 pm so their group photo can be taken.

For a number of students and families your association with Alfred Deakin is coming to a close this year and I wish you every success in the future. If you are leaving ADHS, please help us by completing a Leaver's Form, available at the Front Office. To those returning next year, I look forward to another successful year in 2015. In closing, I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday over the festive season.

Belinda Bartlett

Congratulations to Matilda Dowse – who has been awarded 'Highly Commended' as a runner up in the ACT Chief Minister's ANZAC Spirit Prize 2015. The award was presented on the steps of Australian War Memorial on Monday and was a creative response undertaken in Unicorn Visual Arts with Ms. Kate Waite.





Matilda Dowse and Kate Waite



Congratulations to Year 9 students Rachel Chopping and Hamish Williams who were awarded High Distinction Awards in the **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)**. Rachel attended the ICAS High Achievers' 'best and brightest' presentation

THE FOLLOWING AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED ON PRESENTATION AND GRADUATION NIGHT.

Most Outstanding Student

- Two students from each year group who have demonstrated academic excellence across subjects

Leighton Fuhrman Award

- Most outstanding school athlete

Best Musical Talent Award

- Most outstanding musician

Graeme Matthew Award

- To a Year 10 student who has overcome personal difficulties to succeed

High School Legend Award

- To a Year 7-9 student who has overcome adversity to succeed

The ADHS Values Award

- To a Year 10 student who exemplifies the school values of personal excellence, respect, responsibility and support of community

The Di Fox Award

- Recognising student creativity

The Betty Brown Award

- Recognising services to public education in the Alfred Deakin High community

The Dell Anderson Award

- To a student who values civics and citizenship and strives to reach their full academic potential

The Australian Catholic University Award

- The student who has read the most books from our library

Long Tan Leadership Award

- A Year 10 student who has demonstrated the attributes of strong leadership and positive teamwork

SRC Student to Teacher Awards

- Awarded to two teachers who demonstrate excellence in teaching and represent the school values

ceremony at UNSW.

DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER

Week 9

Tues 9 Year 10 Formal
Wed 10 Presentation & Graduation Night

Week 10

Mon 15-Tues 16 Year 7-9 Leadership Camp
Tues 16 Big Splash
Semester Reports issued

2015

FEBRUARY

Week 1

Mon 2 Year 7 students first day
Tues 3 Continuing students return

EDUCATION AND TRAINING 2014 YEAR 10 EXCELLENCE AWARDS



ZOE CATON

Zoe has demonstrated academic excellence in a range of subjects and is showing a positive pathway towards continued success in further education. She thinks deeply and logically about issues and is a creative and innovative problem solver in both core and elective subjects. During her time at Alfred Deakin High School she has demonstrated a strong ability to achieve at the highest level. This is demonstrated as Zoe has received an A grade in every subject. Zoe has also been described as an all-round student due to her eagerness to participate in a range of school and non-school based activities



JONAH LAFFERTY

Jonah is the epitome of a person with self-awareness and self-worth who strives for excellence in setting personal goals. His talents in academia, the creative Arts and sporting fields demonstrate how he successfully embraces every opportunity presented to him. Jonah participates actively in the school's performing Art program where his talents shine. He is also a member of the boys' youth leadership group (PANTHERS) where he plays an important leadership role. He is well respected by both his peers and adults and is described as a natural leader who motivates his peers by example and with encouragement.



LILLIAN ROWLAND

Lillian contributes positively and with dedication to the life of Alfred Deakin High School and the broader community acting as a responsible global and local citizen. As a Youth Leader, Lillian played an integral role at the Year 7 camp where she encouraged and befriended new students. She also ran activities for them during lunchtimes throughout the year. Lillian's organisational skills were utilised during the organisation and fundraising for Year 9 Exhibitions supporting the Yellow Van. She has demonstrated excellent leadership when taking part in being Principal for a Day. Lillian was a key member of the 2014 school trip to Japan naturally leading her peers in a number of activities and was equally

respected by both her peers and staff on the trip.

YEAR 8 UNICORN PE CLASS



On Friday 7th November 2014, the Year 8 Unicorn PE class attended the Curtin Primary School Athletics Carnival. The class divided into groups of two or three and chose a year group from Kindergarten to Year 3 to work with; they then went to their first activity. The activities included; running races, throwing, jumping, novelties and other fun activities. After each athlete finished their race they were awarded a ribbon for competing. Everyone from our class who attended said they had a great time and we all want to do it again next year!



We would like to thank the teachers from Curtin Primary School for allowing us to come and for a well-run day. We would like to extend our gratitude to our teacher, Miss Stove, for giving us the opportunity to take part in this event and for coming with us on the day as well.

Written by Maddie Brown and Eloise Millington

ELEMENTS MELBOURNE TRIP

On Friday 14th November, at 11.30pm, the ELEMENTS girls went down to Melbourne for their camp and to run in the City 2 Sea which was on Sunday 16th. No-one really got any sleep on the bus.

When we arrived on Saturday morning we went straight to Victoria Markets for breakfast and had a wander around. We then went to the expo to pick up our bibs and have a look through the stalls. After that we went to DFO for lunch and had a few hours of shopping before heading to the MCG for a tour, which everyone highly enjoyed. By the time the tour ended everyone was pretty tired so we headed back to the hostel for a rest before going out to La Porchetta for dinner. Then it was time to head back and get a good sleep for the day ahead.

On Sunday we took part in the City 2 Sea which was a 15km run, starting at the MCG and finishing at St Kilda. Although the rain did not hold off for the run, everyone had a good time and put in a great effort. After the run, we enjoyed the free food and drink stands before we headed back to the hostel to change and spend the afternoon shopping in the CBD. After going to the Noodle Market for dinner we went on the Melbourne Observation Wheel, what a great view! Exhausted from the day, we headed back and everyone went straight to sleep.

On Monday, everyone got up feeling a bit sore. After breakfast we headed straight to Bounce for a few hours of fun, then we headed back to the CBD for more shopping! After getting dinner at the Crown Casino, we watched the movie 'Interstellar', which brought out emotions in everyone. Tired and sore we got back on the bus to head home.

All-in-all it was a great trip. Thank you to Ms Turner, Ms Stuart, Miss Appleton, Ms Feltham and Mrs Flynn for making it possible.

Lizzie Nethery
Elements 2014

ELEMENTS V LYNEHAM STAR

On Monday 10th November, the ELEMENTS girls went to Lyneham High School to play AFL against the STAR girls. This was the first game of what will become a regular event for the ELEMENTS.

The girls participated in some coaching clinics run by

Jeff Roberts and his coaches from Eastlake Football Club in preparation for the big game. They thoroughly enjoyed this totally new sport that no-one had ever played before and quickly learnt a range of new skills. They played some very entertaining football and are looking forward to their next clash against the Lyneham STAR girls next year.



Proudly sponsoring the ELEMENTS girls

CHICKENS



Horticulture is intending to keep our laying chickens over the January break.

If you live within walking distance of the school and would be interested in checking on the chickens and collecting their eggs (we have 11 chickens), for either of the following periods 1st-9th January or the 19th-25th January, could you contact Mr George Parkes on 6142 3901, to arrange keys and the finer details.

George Parkes
Science/Horticulture Teacher

WICKED 2014



On Thursday 30th October, 55 students and three teachers (Mr. Gannon, Ms. Schubert and Ms. Jones), went to Sydney to see 'Wicked' at the Capitol Theatre. We spent the afternoon at the Aquarium and Madame Tussaud's, taking selfies with sharks and famous people, before dinner and the theatre.

The production was an amazing, singing spectacular and we were lucky to be there on 'Wicked' Day, celebrating the 11th year anniversary of 'Wicked' starting on Broadway.

The next morning we went to Circular Quay and The Rocks, where students were able to enjoy a food fair and some light entertainment before returning to Canberra.

Anissa Jones.

ALFRED DEAKIN HIGH SCHOOL 2014 YEARBOOK

The Alfred Deakin High School 2014 Yearbook is in full scale production and heads to the printer shortly.

All the big school trips, tours, carnivals, productions, camps, excursions, sports and events are covered in the 140 page glossy production and at \$20 it represents great value.

Year 10 students attending the Formal receive a yearbook as part of their event package. All other students and members of the community who would like a yearbook can purchase one from the Finance Office \$20

The Yearbook book will available from the Finance Office from Thursday 11th December.

2015

Feb 2nd - First day for all Year 7, and new students in Years 8, 9 and 10.

Feb 3rd - All students return to school.



YEAR 10



It is with great sadness that these are my final words for Year 10.

I am so proud of the Year 10 cohort. Over the past four years they have grown in to the most wonderful, caring and respectful year group Alfred Deakin has ever produced. I would like to firstly say, a big thank you from all staff to Year 10. Whenever they have been asked to strive to achieve another level, whether it is academic, artistic or on the sporting field, they have risen to that challenge. They have all grown in to leaders and are respected by both peers and staff alike.



Our community will be enriched with this new generation of young people coming through. They want to make a difference, they want to help, they want to learn and they want to be the best they can be in whatever they attempt.

We talk about our values at Alfred Deakin High, Excellence, Respect, Community and Responsibility. I believe our Year 10s demonstrate each of these with gusto and enthusiasm. They are the first to promote Excellence through all their endeavours and accomplish what they set out to do. They are the first to promote Respect which has led to a school that is highly regarded in our community. They are the first to promote confidence in all their abilities and support other years to develop theirs. They are the first to promote Responsibility around the school and this has had a flow-on effect to all year groups and is often spoken about in the community.

Alfred Deakin High is extremely proud of Year 10 and all their achievements over the past four years. Well done!

A final reminder that the Year 10 Formal is on Tuesday, 9th December, with arrivals from 5.30 to 6pm. All students must be on the steps of Old Parliament House by 6pm for the Year 10 photo. The Formal finishes at 10pm and students will need to be collected promptly at 10pm.

The following evening, Wednesday 10th December, is Presentation/Graduation night. The students will be required to be seated in the school hall no later than 5.40pm. The evening will commence with the school Presentations, there will be a short interlude and then the Year 10 Graduation will take place. The evening will finish at 8pm.

Finally, I would like to say that it has been a pleasure looking after your children over the past four years. They are a real credit to you and to the school. I wish you all the very best for the future and I know that Year 10 will all become great young adults and leaders of the future.

James Love
Year 10 Coordinator

JAPANESE NEWS

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Term 4 has been a very productive one and students' learning outcomes are great. Teachers are happy to see their accelerated learning.



Year 10's Farewell Party

Congratulations to all the Year 10 students who successfully completed the Year 10 program. We would like to acknowledge all your hard work and achievements. We are so proud of you!

We also would like to wish you every success in your future studies and please visit us in 2015. We will miss you!



Christine Scales, Georgina Smith and Lauren Dunstone visited Year 10s in their last class and farewelled them. Thank you, girls!



Year 8 Calligraphy session

My Year 8 class enjoyed the Kanji studies with calligraphy.



ADHS DRESS CODE – 2015

Clothing worn should:

- protect students from hazards in classrooms, corridors and outside including the weather
- show respect for the sensitivities of different cultures represented at the school
- reflect standards determined by the community NOT individuals
- reflect workplace dress standards.
 1. Students need to wear footwear to school that provides adequate protection in all school environments – practical areas, classrooms, corridors and the playground. Footwear needs, therefore, to be secured to the feet, provide full coverage of feet from toes to the top of the instep and have a solid sole at all times. Thongs are unsafe at school as is any loose fitting footwear.
 2. Jewellery should be unobtrusive and not pose a threat of injury or harm to the wearer or anyone else
 3. All students, male and female, are to wear tops that cover the entire shoulder and the upper section of the upper arm as a minimum.
 4. Females should wear tops that cover up cleavage and do not expose bra straps
 5. Tops should prevent bare torsos from being visible
 6. Waist-down attire needs to be in line with the fingertips when arms are extended straight down.
 7. Slogans and images that cause offence are not permitted.

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Google+ - <http://goo.gl/YmhmEX>
Facebook - <http://goo.gl/LVpprn>
Twitter - @AlfredDeakinHS

C4 COURSE

Congratulations to Anthony Koutsoukos and Jacob Hepburn-Roy who successfully completed the C4 course this year, gaining a Certificate 11 in Building and Construction.

I was very proud to attend the graduation ceremony last week of Anthony and Jacob, as they received their graduation certificate from the Master Builders Association. They have worked hard to successfully complete seven weeks of training, as well as managing the demands of Year 10. They have learnt valuable skills and also gained in maturity and the graduating breakfast was a fitting way to celebrate their success. I wish them well in pursuing careers in the Building Industry in the future.

Christine Bowen
Work Experience & Vet Coordinator

CANTEEN

Thank you to all who have supported the canteen throughout 2014. From Wednesday, 3rd December, we will be unable to accept on-line orders due to unavailability of stock. We will only have limited supplies of items available as end of term approaches.

We look forward to seeing you all in 2015

Debbie Tobin
Canteen Manager



EXCURSION ACQUITTALS - 2014

NAME OF EXCURSION: Japan	
Monies In: (Student payments)	\$123,316.50
Monies Out:	
Tour Cost	
+ Incidentals)	
Airfares)	
Staffing)	
Total Monies Out	\$118,080.36

Remaining funds – refunded to parents

NAME OF EXCURSION: Elements - Melbourne	
Monies In: (Student payments)	\$17,600.00
Monies Out:	
Bus)	
Accommodation)	
Entry/Activities)	
Staffing)	
Incidentals)	
Total Monies Out	\$17,442.66

Surplus retained by school for educational purposes

COMMUNITY NEWS



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THE ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE OF CANBERRA IS OFFERING SUMMER INTENSIVE FRENCH COURSES DURING JANUARY 2015.

The courses run for two weeks on the following dates:

- Pre-School, Kindergarten and Primary School age children
from 9:30am to 11:30am (inclusive):
 - Tuesday 13 January;
 - Thursday 15 January;
 - Tuesday 20 January; and
 - Thursday 22 January.
- Teenagers from 1:30pm to 4:30pm (inclusive):
 - Monday 12 January;
 - Friday 16 January;
 - Monday 19 January; and
 - Friday 23 January.

Enrolments can be completed online, by telephone on [6247 5027](tel:62475027), or in person at the Alliance Française.
enquiries@afcanberra.com.au



Alfred Deakin High School's
Presentation Night and Year 10 Graduation
10th December 2014
6.00 – 8.00pm

Maths Text Book – Secondhand Sale!

Each year the Maths faculty holds a second-hand book sale in early Term 1... and we need your text books to sell.

We will take your Year 7, 8, 9 or 10 Essential Mathematics text book and try to sell it on to other students for you. Text books sold range in price from \$15-\$30, depending on the condition of the text book. Monies that are collected on the sale day will be processed through the finance office and a cheque issued as soon as is possible. Students will need to come in and collect their book if it has not been sold. Alternately unsold books may be donated to the school.

If you wish to sell your textbook then you need to hand it into your Maths teacher by NO LATER than the end of Week 9. You will need to include the Sale slip available from any Maths Teacher with your details filled in.

Want to buy a second-hand Maths textbook for next year?

Then come along to the second-hand text book sale next year. The details are:

Thursday 5th February 2015, 3:15 – 5:00 pm

Friday 6th February 2015, 8:15 – 9:00 am

Cost: \$15 - \$30 (dependent on condition of book)

Cash and credit card will be accepted. Sorry no EFTPOS available.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me on 61423888.

Alex Nagy
Mathematics Executive

Community Christmas Party

Sunday 14 December ★ 11am-3pm ★ free event

In the carpark at the front of the Club - Matilda Street, Woden

Join the Free Christmas Fun Rides on:

- ★ Supa Cha ★ Dodgem Cars ★ Jumping Castle
- ★ Cup & Saucer ★ Giant Slide
- ★ Laser Skirmish Maze



Plus Entertainment

- ★ Kenny Koala ★ Face Painting
- ★ Canberra Pipes & Drums
- ★ Reptile Petting Zoo

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