

SEPTEMBER 2017 – ISSUE 8

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 22nd September

Last day of Term 3

Monday 9th October

First day of Term 4

16th - 19th October

Year 10 Camp

Tuesday 17th October

VCE Arts Exhibition Evening
5pm-6pm

Thursday 19th October

Years 7 & 8
Interschool Sport

Friday 20th October

Art Show Gala Evening
Bay St Campus

21st Oct - 22nd October

Art Show
Bay St Campus

Monday 23rd October

Debating Awards
6.45pm

Wednesday 25th October

Year 12 Breakfast & Final day

Wednesday 1st November

Year 12 VCE Exam commences

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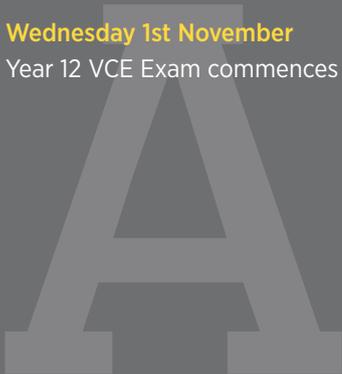
It is not every 83-year-old who would want to celebrate his birthday as Principal for a Day, but this is how Father Bob Maguire chose to commemorate his milestone. The Principal for a Day program has operated for the past 16 years, bringing together business, community and school leaders.

It was a privilege to spend the day with Father Bob, one of the most well-known and revered members of our community.

Father Bob is renowned for being a tad unconventional and his day at Albert Park College was no exception. Walking stick in hand, he embarked on a kind of rolling tour, wandering into classes and offering his thoughts and observations along the way.

One highlight was the time he spent with our Year 11 philosophy class. There he held court, debating topics as diverse as what constitutes the true meaning of life and the role of religion in our society. Our students were impressed by his knowledge of Greek philosophers and his broad sweep of knowledge across virtually any topic. He is an entertainer, albeit a very clever one.

I was particularly impressed by a number of students who recognized Father Bob and their affection for Father Bob was clear. He is a man who understands his community, responds



to their needs and who builds close relationships with some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

During the day, we visited the warehouse he operates as part of the Father Bob Foundation. This is a distribution point for food and meals, as well as a place to receive free legal advice and even a haircut. This centre plays a vital role in supporting the disadvantaged and homeless in our community.

Father Bob's visit was a timely reminder of the part we can play in supporting the less advantaged members of our community. The Winter Sleepout, featured in this edition of the newsletter, is a good example of how committed our students are to helping others. Last week our Year 7 and 8 students "slept rough" in the College courtyard and raised \$2,800.00 for the homeless.

In the future, we will continue to build our relationship with the Father Bob Foundation. This relationship resonates with one of our core value as a College - to respect, support and nurture those around us.

So how did Father Bob enjoy his day?
The day after his visit we received the following e-mail:
"I was bobsmailed by the college's hospitality."
- Bob Maguire



National Architecture Finalist Environmental Arts Hub (Bay St)

Following from our July's architectural accolade at The Victorian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects, we are very proud to have been shortlisted for the 2017 National Architecture Awards! [Click here](#) if you would like to learn more.

Steve Cook
Foundation Principal



ART SHOW

20 - 22
October

The Albert Park College Art Show is now in its 7th year!

Gala Opening Night

Friday 20th October 2017
7-11 pm

Join us for a night of food, wine, music, live and silent auction and fantastic artworks by professional and student artists.

The exhibition continues over Oct 21 - 22 with free entry from 10am - 4pm.

Purchase tickets

To purchase tickets for the Gala Opening night [click here](#)

Vaudeville 2017



A multitude of Albert Park College students were hard at work preparing and rehearsing acts for our annual Vaudeville event, which was held on Friday the 25th August 2017, at the National Theatre in St Kilda.

Over 700 people were in attendance to watch our talented and driven students perform a range of music, drama and dance items loosely exploring the theme “*Iconic*”.

Huge thanks to the hard working performing arts team, and of course our wonderful students, for the many hours they dedicated to the show.

We feel a great sense of pride in seeing the continued growth of the performing arts program here at Albert Park College.



This growth has only been made possible through the dedication and creativity of both our students and teaching staff.

We are already very excited for what 2018 will bring!

*Mr Dean Gourley & Ms Jenna Carracher
Performance Coordinators*



We are lucky to have such fantastic images that capture the essence of Vaudeville!

We would like to thank Simon James Photography.

All of his images are online, you can find them following this link (password: thanks83)

[Find your performance photo here](#)



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House of Dior Excursion

On the 1st of September, the Year 9 Textiles classes travelled to 'The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture' exhibition - held at the NGV.

Our Fashion Illustration unit in Textiles this term was completely centred around this excursion - which only added to our excitement! After a lecture on the history of Dior, we were free to wander through the gallery and soak in all the beautiful artwork. All of our phones were out, and all the stunning clothes definitely took our breath away. We were very lucky, as two seamstresses from Dior's own headquarters in France were there as well, talking to the public while they worked and taking questions about the design process and even displaying prototypes they had made.

After the gallery viewing, we had a fashion illustration workshop - which was a great way to learn about new techniques and mediums, and how to transfer all of our new inspiration onto the paper. I would definitely recommend visiting the exhibition during the holidays, as it is a once in a lifetime opportunity to see all the amazing work Dior has produced over



the years and learn a thing or two about the history of Haute Couture.

by Katrielle Goh



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Winter Sleepout 2017



On the night of the 14th September, our Year 7 and 8 students set out to sleep rough in the courtyards of Albert Park College.

The efforts made by these students all were for the homeless. Fact state that there are over 22,700 homeless people just in Victoria and the numbers are still growing, fast.

These people are left on the streets, are stripped of their privacy and respect and crave human interaction. Considering that a fair majority of the homeless community are young teens and even children we need to ask ourselves, do they really deserve this?

We don't think so and that's why we raised money for Vinnies, who help homeless people in a variety of ways.

On the 14th of September, we all arrived at school and set up some cardboard in the courtyard. We then headed to the Drama Space for a presentation and overview of the evening. Then we played a couple of activities before sitting down to watch a movie. Time passed and then came the time to go to sleep. So we headed outside to our cardboard beds and blankets

and tried to get as much sleep as we could. It was a cold windy winters' night and we got up to as little as two hours of sleep.

Although it was a rough night it was so rewarding that we together raised over \$2,800 which is an amazing contribution. Thank you to everyone who donated.

by Molly O'Donoghue and Mikaela Morter - Year 8 students



APC visits the Earthship at Kinglake



Recycled Innovation students in Years 7 & 8 trekked up to see the Earthship currently being built by the Agari Farm crew in Kinglake.

In small groups, students saw first-hand how with a little bit of recycling and a lot of innovation, a home that can house two families can be built. The Earthship will be completely sustainable, off-grid and made predominantly of natural building materials. Challenging questions were asked by students about the viability and authenticity of the structure and the construction methods. These were happily and clearly explained by Dani, Ahmed and Nellie.

The day was capped off by a bit of cob-stomping on a cold winter's day. Ella, Nick and Xavier worked with Dani to make some mudbricks which would be eventually used in the construction of the Earthship.

by Steven Stanecki, Michael Pye and Deane Sobey



If your child is going to be absent, late or leaving early, please make sure to email:
attendance@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au before the school day commences.

Work Ready 2018

On Thursday, August 31st Year 10 students were put through their paces in a mock interview program. The interviews, facilitated by more than 20 volunteers from our parent and our wider community, represented the culmination of the student's Work Ready Program.

The Work Ready Program is a four-week program delivered as part of the Year 10 tutorial program. The program coincides with student work experience placements and is designed to equip them with skills and competencies which gets them 'work ready'. The program, founded by Rebecca Macauley from The Beacon Foundation, focuses on making a good impression, presenting oneself confidently and developing a personal brand.



In the mock interviews, students had the opportunity apply the skills they have developed throughout the program. Many students dressed to impress and made an impact on their interviewers with their on the spot thinking.

Questions included:

- *How would you manage a really difficult customer?*
- *What skills and attributes would you bring to the workforce?*
- *How would your friends describe you?*
- *What is the most challenging thing you have accomplished and what did the experience teach you about yourself?*

The afternoon was abuzz with chatter, with interviewers praising students for their well-considered responses to the interview questions. The afternoon's volunteers were impressed with the level of confidence and maturity displayed by the students involved.

APC would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the following volunteers who made the program possible:



- Arie Moses
- Pippa Connolly
- Amy Liddy
- Jennifer Fall
- Veronica Small
- Peter Borg
- Tracey Mclrvine
- Jo Higginson
- Emma Bartrum
- George Sofronidis
- Jennifer Roper
- Jane Kneebone
- Andrew Collis
- Catherine Twigg
- Terri Ward
- Donna Thibault
- Mish Eisen

Parents or members of the broader APC community would like to be involved in the work ready program in the future can contact Kathryn Riosa at the College.



Debating

The Albert Park College 2 D Grade Debating Team has progressed to the quarterfinals of the state-wide competition. Last round they were successful against Loreto Mandeville Hall, debating the topic “That the Victorian Government Should Build A Safe Injecting Room.” Congratulations to Alice Langton, Oscar Pearce and Lily ward for their tremendous performance against a very high-quality side. This team is now ranked within the top 8 in Victoria.

Oscar Pearce also participated in the Grand Final of the Debating Association of Victoria Junior Public Speaking Competition. He presented a passionate speech on the importance of learning from history in the context of populism. Numerous teachers from Albert Park College attended the event to show their full support for Oscar on the night. It was a night enjoyed by all with some very tough competition. Overall Oscar placed sixth.



The Debaters Association of Victoria Junior Debating Competition has now commenced. Albert Park College has enrolled 4 teams in this competition, composed of more than 25 Year 7 and 8 students. Many of the students are participating in the Debating and Public Speaking elective at the college and are excited to apply their new skills in this external competition. So far students have participated in a training night and the first round of debates. Congratulations to Adi Sonigra who was awarded best speaker in his debate.

APC's Snow Camps

Junior Snow Camp

From the 29th of August to the 1st of September 2017, a group of Year 7 and 8's went to Falls Creek for an amazing week of skiing and snowboarding. The week started with a very early morning on Tuesday followed by a 6-hour bus drive. Once we got to the mountain, we walked up through the snow to finally see the chalet where we would be staying for the week. For many people, it was their first time not only skiing/snowboarding but even seeing snow! As soon as we unpacked we went to the ski hire to receive our ski (or board) gear; ski/board boots, poles, skis/board and a helmet. That afternoon we had our first ski lesson and throughout the week, we had 3-morning lessons, ranging from beginners to advanced. On the last day of the camp, we had our last chance to ski before we packed our bags and left.

All this would not have been possible without all the effort put in by the teachers and parents who came with us, thank you very much from all the students, we had a great week!

by Samson Magasanik and Leticia Speed.

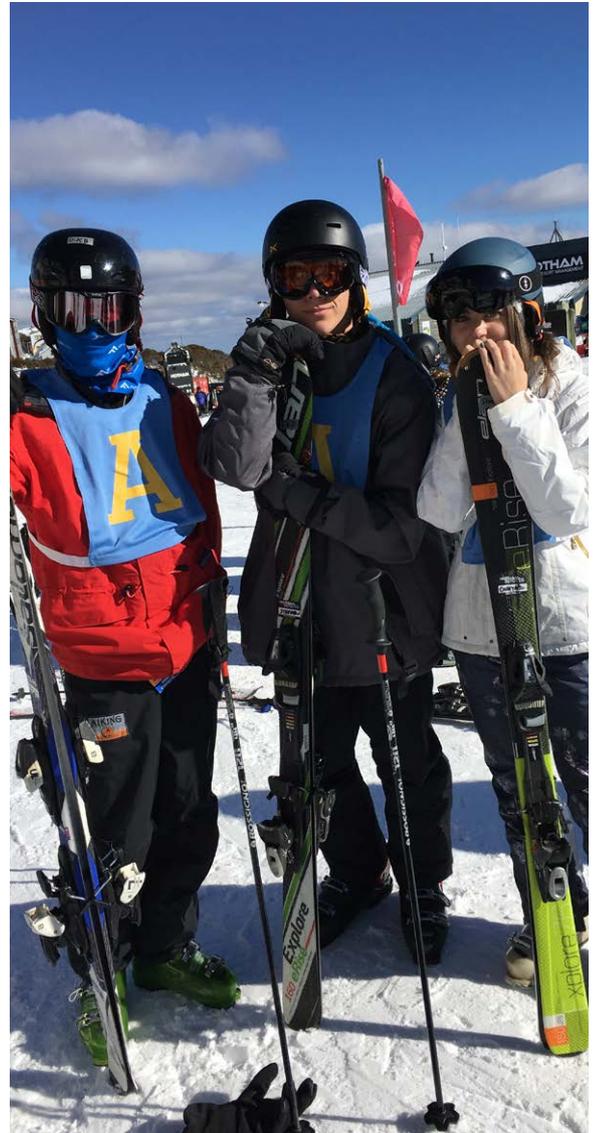


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Senior Snow Camp

From Monday 28th of August until Friday 1st of September, a group of students from Year 10 and 11 attended a five-day ski camp at Mount Hotham. After an early start and a five-hour long bus trip, students arrived at the Kongoola Ski Club. Students were responsible for assisting in meal preparation and cleaning. Due to the cooler weather, the snow conditions were fantastic and allowed for great skiing. Students were given the option of skiing or snowboarding, and attended lessons every day for an hour and a half, and given the remainder of the day to go free skiing. This program allowed students to immerse themselves in all the opportunities the slopes of Mount Hotham offers. The way the camp was designed was extremely flexible in that it allowed students with varying degrees of skill and confidence to enjoy the program, and explore whatever runs they felt confident with. The number of students attending and the design of the camp meant students created a close-knit and comfortable group, though this group was torn and proved highly competitive when partaking in the post-dinner trivia on Wednesday and Thursday evening. The program offers fantastic opportunities and the wonderful experiences that will stay with you for the rest of your life. The camp was very worthwhile and enjoyable and one I would most definitely recommend students attend next year.

by Sophie Hodge



Container Terminal lifts support of APC



Victoria International Container Terminal (VICT), operators of Webb Dock in Port Melbourne, has again awarded a substantial grant to APC as part of its 2017 Community Investment Fund. This grant will be used to fund the marine biologist at our marine research centre in the Bay Street campus, and to provide scholarships for our disadvantaged families.

We are extremely grateful for VICT's ongoing support of the school. Our partnership commenced in 2015 and, in addition to VICT's significant financial support for the Bay Street campus and other programs, has involved partnering in art projects and the 2017 Community Day.

If you are involved in an organisation that may wish to partner with the school, please contact School Council President Mark Sheppard on 0417 591 786.

Victorian Interschool Snowsports

A group of 13 APC students competed in the Victorian Interschool Snowsports held at Mt Buller at the end of August. It was an amazing week of racing where the snow conditions were perfect and the weather clear if not sunny. We had students compete in all disciplines including cross-country skiing.

The team consisted of: Lucy de Gleria-Cade, Siena Graham, Jack Carter, Toby Peterson, Jack Thompson, Leila & Wells McDonald, Kate McKenna, Ben & Max Ashkanasy, Nick Neales, Campbell Darby & Hunter Seabrook.

APC is definitely one to contend with - we had 4 podium finishes!

1st - Toby - Snowboard Slopestyle individual

1st - Toby, Jack C & Jack T - Slopestyle team

1st - Ben & Max - Moguls team

2nd - Ben & Max - Slopestyle team

The National Interschools will be held in early September where APC will see Toby, Ben, Max, Leila & Wells competing for glory. Congratulations also to Jack C and Kate who also qualified for the nationals.

Everyone did an amazing job, congratulations!



Ben and Max Ashkanasy



Ben Ashkanasy, in moguls



Max Ashkanasy, in moguls



Lucy de Gleria-Cade, Siena Graham

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APC Sports

Soccer

Congratulations to the Year 8 Boys and Senior Girls Soccer Teams, who had emphatic results, finishing 1st and 2nd respectively in the Southern Metropolitan Region finals. Both teams showed excellent gameplay throughout a day of tough-fought matches against the winners of their respective divisions, representing APC and the Beachside area proudly.



Hockey

Congratulations to the Year 7 Girls Hockey Team, winning the Beachside Hockey event against tough opposition, defeating Cheltenham College 4 – 1 in the final. The team showed fantastic spirit throughout the day and will now progress to the SMR finals in Term 4. Good luck girls!



Congratulations to Nayely Borg who was part of the Vic team at the School Sports Australia under 15 years National Championships in Western Australia. The Vic girls went through undefeated, 5 games in 7 days, and won the gold medal! Nayely was wrapped to be part of the team, representing APC.

Beachside Athletics

On Monday 4th September, APC competed in the Beachside Inter-School Athletics Competition. It was a day that threatened with rain and strong winds throughout, however, our competitors were never deterred. Fielding a strong team of 70 participants, APC was well represented by determined athletes, who showed fantastic spirit and enthusiasm. Ultimately, the hard work shown by all competitors paid off, with APC being crowned overall Beachside Athletics Champions for the first time, beating rival schools Mentone Girls SC and Melbourne HS by 120 and 200 points respectively.

A special mention goes to Ella Tobin, who took out individual honours in being crowned Girls 12-13 years overall champion. Congratulations Ella!



Basketball

Congratulations to the following Basketball Teams for winning the Beachside Division throughout the course of Term 3. These teams worked incredibly hard on their way to emphatic victories to help keep APC's strong dominance of the Beachside Basketball events in recent history.

- Year 7 Girls Basketball
- Year 8 Boys & Girls Basketball
- Intermediate Boys & Girls Basketball



U/15's Boys Basketball Team – State Finalists to be played on 23rd/24th September against St. Josephs

The U15 Boys team competed in Round 1 with the top 24 teams in the state, they notched up two close wins which proved enough for them to qualify for the Elite 8 stage in Victoria.

In the Elite 8, the team had tough wins against Camberwell, Bendigo, Alkira and finished strong against Carey Grammar in a crossover final winning by just 3 points. All players had an exceptional day and played some great basketball. The team was led well by Captains Harrison Raynor and Patrick Twigg who were both enthusiastic and supportive throughout the day.

This team is now through to the State Championship game. All players in the team have worked hard the entire year to earn this honour and we look forward to watching them represent Albert Park College in what should be a high-energy grand final game.

Year 7 Leadership Program

During the chilly winter mornings, Year 7 students participated in Sailing as part of their Leadership Program. In only 3 lessons, the students were able to demonstrate a high level of boat control and were competent tacking around a mark, whilst enduring the icy, cold waters.



APC Dance

Dance excursion to see Bangarra Dance Theatre.

On Wednesday, 13th of September, 40 students from years 8 - 12 had the privilege of seeing Bangarra Dance Theatre's latest production, "Bennelong" at the Arts Centre. Woollarawarre Bennelong was a senior man of the Eora, from the Port Jackson area in Sydney. With extraordinary curiosity and diplomacy,

Bennelong led his community to survive a clash of cultures and left a legacy that reverberates through contemporary life. The performance was incredibly moving and thought-provoking and left all students feeling inspired and grateful for the lives we lead.



Upcoming performance by APC Dance Students at the NGV Teens Art Party.

APC Dance Students have been working hard on their upcoming performance at the NGV Teens Art Party in the holidays! Your ticket gets you exclusive after-hours access to The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture and Hokusai exhibitions, workshops with contemporary artists, dance performances by the APC Dance Students and DJ sets.

Don't miss this chance to spend the evening surrounded by over 140 sumptuous garments and the only emoji-worthy artwork, The Great Wave Off Kangawa, as well as Japanese and French inspired food. Decadent or decorative; dress to match your vibe.

Ages 13 – 17 with valid secondary school ID.

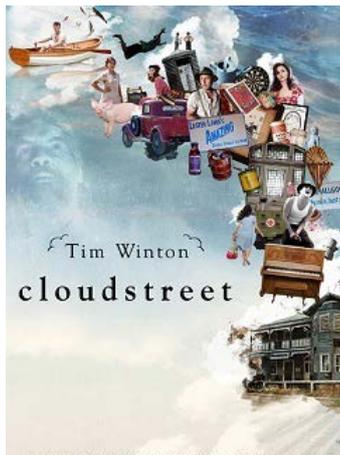
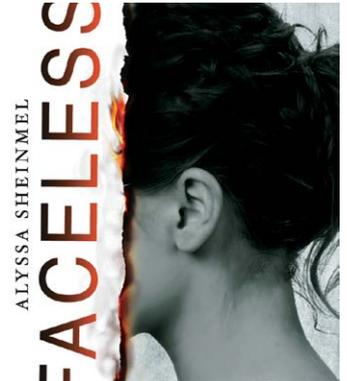


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Reading Corner “A book that changed me”

Faceless is unlike any book I've read before. We're introduced to Maisie the day before her accident. She wakes up in the hospital with third-degree burns and part of her face gone. Throughout the story I found myself connecting with the characters and not wanting to stop reading. This true story is truly touching and at times I just wanted to reach right in and hug Maisie. After reading this it made me realise how hard it can be for a student to go back to school after something like this. It made me think about how the way you look can change someone's view on a person and how someone's identity can be changed in an instant.

by Charlotte L'Enfant - Year 8 student



As a 19-year-old who had recently moved from my family home in Ballarat to a share house in Prahran, reading 'Cloudstreet' by Australian author Tim Winton really resonated with me through its richly evocative descriptions of family and household relationships. The book captures the lives of two families - the Pickles and the Lambs - living in Perth under one ramshackle roof in an existence punctuated by everyday joys and disappointments that entwine the lives of these two very different families over a 20 year period.

Tim Winton's writing has a beautiful authenticity to it - he captures the emotional depth of and connections between these very 'ordinary' characters through his honest and insightful observations. Often this is done through poetic, but never flowery, descriptions of interior and exterior landscapes which seem to resonate well beyond the confines of the book's pages, making it a joy to read.

My assessment of this book is not an original one - since its publication in 1991 this book routinely pops up on lists of must-read Australian books. If you can, read it!

by Eleanor Voterakis - Create Teacher

In Business Management this semester we have been looking at Marketing and Public Relations within different businesses. As part of this course, all students were fortunate enough to visit the Eureka Skydeck and learn about the different marketing strategies that were implemented within the business to engage and attract different audiences to their products and services. Students gathered knowledge on the 7Ps of marketing, target audiences and crisis management. In groups, we also went around to local businesses in the city to learn about marketing strategies businesses used to attract certain demographics and audiences to their shops.



This area of study has taught the students many different skills that can allow them to recognise market segmentation as well as how to deal with a crisis in a business.

by Marcel Mena

A student's perspective on the Summit

Following from last month's feature on the International Relations Student Summit, Shyam Kumar's piece will be published by SEV (Social Education Victoria). Below is his piece:

The 2017 International Relations Student Summit coordinated by Social Education Victoria, was an interesting and thought-provoking experience. This exposure, which allowed students from different schools to interact and exchange perspectives on global issues, made for an involvement rich in the diversity of opinions. The part of the summit which was most interesting to me was the presentations provided by the guest speakers. They provided interesting and relevant information on the issues of displaced persons, humanitarian responses, and conflict for group discussions throughout the day. The student presentations towards the end of the summit allowed us to listen to and express different points of view on these topics. It was engaging to explore issues relevant to contemporary politics.

The day held a number of challenges for us as we were tasked with creating group presentations which involved researching our assigned topics. Communication between students was another challenge as we had only met that day and we had to discuss our response in order to achieve consensus on our topic. The skills utilised during the group presentation activities, combined with the note taking when speakers were presenting background for the concepts later discussed, were all skills that are needed in school and the work setting. The presentations by the student speakers towards the end of the summit are also skills that are useful during other situations during school or even work. All of these skills are also helped by the other factor presented in the summit of listening to other's opinions which allows for the students to hold broader view on issues while also helping them to be more open-minded

The speaker's at the summit provided a solid background for group discussions through content from respected academics and organisations. They were engaging and provided highly relevant information. The benefit gained was a deeper understanding of the challenges that play a major role in the modern world. To begin with, David Manne dealt with one of the summit's major topics: Refugees. A human rights lawyer, migration agent and worker at Refugee Legal Mr Manne was well placed to offer insight into this issue. Throughout the presentation, he explained the role of international law and its application in the contemporary era. He also provided clear background through exploring the obligations states have under the 1951 Refugee Convention. This background covered current data on the scale of the issue of mass migration which he states, involves the fleeing of 60 million people.

He also provided more information on the refugees themselves, a majority of whom are children. The case studies from Germany and Australia were contrasted to great effect and really made me think about how Australia and the world are handling this issue.

The second speaker, Meg Quartermaine, spoke about the issue of humanitarian responses. Her presentation was given credibility by the fact that she works as a Humanitarian Manager at Oxfam and has experience working in emergency responses to multiple cases. The presentation granted a background for the students on what Oxfam is and what work it does. She also dealt with the role played by institutions such as the UN-OCHA in the cluster system which is involved in coordinating humanitarian responses. All of this provided information which fed into her presentation on individual cases from the Mosul crisis, the Ebola outbreak and Hurricane Winston. Each of these cases provided context as to how all the factors discussed earlier play a part in the responses to humanitarian problems.

Finally, the last speaker Dr Jasmine Westendorf dealt with the topic Conflict. Her presentation on conflict is granted credibility through her qualifications as lecturer on International Relations at La Trobe University. She dealt with the different types of conflict and their causes and respective frequency. She dealt with the concept of conflict resolution (peace negotiations) and how they are complicated through various challenges. She also deals with the problem of credibility of international institutions and how if they lose their credibility it proves a hindrance to conflict resolution. This saw her finish by asking the question: what is the international community? All of these presentations equipped students to discuss sources and to reach agreement on how best to approach such challenging issues.

I highly recommend this experience to students who are interested in international relations as the summit provides an opportunity for them to expand their knowledge on the topics and gain inspiration, motivation, and skills through working in teams. The speakers who presented the topics were most impressive because of their clear grasp and deep understanding of the topics they presented. I look forward to attending the summit in 2018.

By Shyam Kumar (Albert Park College)

Student Leadership Forum

On Friday September the 1st, 7 students from the Senior SRC attended the Respectful Relationships Forum, or SWAG forum, held by Melbourne High School.

The day opened with an inspirational speech by the student wellbeing president. Following this was an icebreaker. Students were given a sheet filled with compliments and were asked to compliment as many students as possible. Students evidently found this activity fun and engaging, and the atmosphere instantly became warmer.

The first speaker of the morning was Tarang Chawla, a strong advocate for anti-domestic violence and a proud feminist. Tarang retold the devastating story of his younger sister Niki, who was murdered at the hands of her husband at the age of 23, by a meat cleaver. Following the homicide of his sister in 2015, Tarang has been able to raise awareness for a number of issues that have both a direct and indirect influence on male violence against women within a short period of time.

The second speaker of the morning was a representative from the Whise organisation who spoke of alarmingly high statistics around gender-based violence. Female roles in the movie industry and the way females are portrayed in the media were also discussed, alongside the role mass media plays in laying the fundamental basis of gender constructs.

The third and final speaker of the day was Elise O'Dea, the vice-captain of AFLW Melbourne. She was down to earth and amiable as she spoke of her journey and the challenges she met as she worked to be where she is today. She inspired everyone who attended the day to not let anything get in the way of achieving a dream.

It was a fun-filled day, and all students were able to walk away better educated on gender-based violence and ways we can combat it. One of the messages we took from the day was that, while gender-based violence is a widespread issue, we can combat it by standing up to the people around us. The other was to never give up your dreams.

All in all, the path to ending gender-based violence begins with us.

by Stephanie Li - Year 11 Ambassador



Your Support Needed for our Local Op Shop

Do you know about the local op shop gem, the South Melbourne Community Chest at 200 Bank Street, South Melbourne? It's an independent community run shop that returns all profits in grants to Port Phillip community organisations so as to support our more vulnerable residents. Albert Park College has received support for our music program.

The Op Shop needs some help from us. They are seeking donations of good quality used clothing. Please drop your donations off at the shop during open hours - 10 to 5pm Monday to Friday and 10 to 2pm on Saturday. You can also find them on Facebook @Southopshop or South Melbourne Community Chest Op Shop.

Intermediate Band Festival

On Thursday the 14th of September, 18 Year 8 and 9 Music students from APC travelled to Mordialloc College to participate in the Intermediate Band Festival. Together with students from Brighton Secondary College, Mentone Girls Secondary College and Mordialloc College, they formed a 70 piece Concert Band, and rehearsed all day under the baton of guest conductor James Le Fevre. After some hours of productive rehearsal, the band recorded four pieces - these recordings will be available to the students who participated next Term.

These festivals are great for APC musicians to practice playing in larger ensemble contexts, as well as a good opportunity to meet and work alongside other instrumentalists their age from nearby schools. Thanks to Mordialloc for hosting us, the SEVR Music Coordinators for organising the day, and the students who took part and represented APC very well. They are better musicians for it.

by Nick Yates

