# **FAMILIES**

## **APC Families**

All parents and carers of students at Albert Park College are members of APC Families, which hosts social, community and fundraising events throughout the year.

These events are opportunities to be involved in the life of your child's school and to get to know your child's friends and their families.

How can I participate?

- Come along to social and community events
- Help at one of the events such as the Trivia Night or Art Show
- Cook BBQ sausages or serve drinks at school events
- Attend a hike, snow camp or bike ride
- Join the Grants & Partnerships team

If you'd like to know more, have any ideas or would like to volunteer at an event, please email Bernadene Voss, APC Families President <a href="mailto:apcfamilies@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au">apcfamilies@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au</a>

## **Regular Events**

Recently, many events had to be moved online, postponed or cancelled, but the following events are planned, subject to Covid19 restrictions:

**Coffee Mornings** - all welcome for a coffee and chat on the last Friday of the month (during term time) 8.30 – 9.30 am at Pickles St Campus Café (or via Zoom).

**Social Evenings** - catch up with friends or get to know new parents in a relaxed environment. Held one evening each term at one of our local pubs.

**Second Hand Uniform Stall** - in the Danks St. courtyard on regular Fridays 8.30 – 9.30am (dates TBC). Donations of current, clean and in good condition uniform are welcome at the office, sales of which raise funds for the school. Contact: Parent, Teena Lawrence Brown <a href="mailto:teenalboz@gmail.com">teenalboz@gmail.com</a>

### **Annual Events**

#### Term 1

**Welcome Picnic -** an opportunity for Year 7 and other new students and their parents / carers to meet new families and teachers or catch up after the holidays. Early term 1, Gasworks Park.

**APC Hike** – an overnight one parent / one student hike for year 7 and 8 students in the beautiful Victorian High Country in March or April. Hike during the day, camp at night under the stars with experienced parents / teachers as guides.

### Term 2

**APC Open Day –** when our school opens its doors to the community. APC Families fires up the BBQ, plus there's live music and a student-run bake sale. Danks Street Campus in April or May. Volunteers welcome.

**APC Year Level catch ups –** get to know other parents in your child's year level, usually held at a local venue.

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**Trivia Night -** book a seat or a table for the most fun fundraiser evening of the year. Venue TBC. Volunteers and prize donations welcome.

**Lit Fest –** The APC Literary Festival in June hosts a number of writers over a weekend. APC Families help serving drinks and BBQ sausages. Volunteers welcome. Contact: School Office taniascaramozzino@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au

#### Term 3

**APC Snow Camps -** these very popular camps at Falls Creek and Hotham include catered accommodation, daily lessons as well as free time to hit the slopes. There are a few places available for parents who want to help. Contact: Teacher, Casey Berry <a href="mailto:caseyberry@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au">caseyberry@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au</a>

#### Term 4

**The Art Show -** the APC annual Art show is a defining event on the calendar for our school community. One of the school's main fundraising events that encourages our students as well as the wider community to exhibit and sell their artworks. Normally hosted in our Environmental Arts Campus, in 2020 the event continues online. Because of Covid 19 restrictions we are unable to generate funds from ticket sales, raffle or auction items, so we ask any parents that may have generously supported past events, to consider sponsoring an art prize, or part thereof. Volunteers welcome. Contact: Parent, Carolyn Menzies <a href="mailto:carolynmenzies@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au">carolynmenzies@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au</a>

**Anglesea Camp -** family camping weekend near the beach at Anglesea in November (camping or cabins available to be booked independently). It's a fun, relaxed way to meet other families. Contact: Parent, Gill Armstrong gillarmstrong@live.com

**Great Victorian Bike Ride -** families can ride and camp through the best of the Victorian countryside with the biggest bike ride held each year in late November. 3, 5 or 9-day options are available. Weekly training rides are organised through term 4 to get you fit and prepared for the challenge and they are also a chance to meet other families doing the ride too. Contact: Teacher, Andrew Robinson andrewrobinson@albertparkcollege.vic.edu.au

