

Albury High School Grapevine



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Tradition, Innovation and Excellence

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Principal's Report

Congratulations to:

- **Erin Macdonald and Asleigh Smith** on their outstanding results in the 2014 Visual Arts extension course - HSC Intensive Studio Practice
- **Bronson Meehan** on his selection to participate in the Harold Matthews Cup Summer training program for Rugby League

We would also like to congratulate the following students who have left school to pursue careers through means of employment or apprenticeships. We wish them all the best for their future:

- **Jessica Allport** - Working
- **Hayden Burr** - Working
- **Ryan Tisdell-Burns** - TAFE
- **Jake Eisenhauer** - Carpentry Apprenticeship

Term 4 is a busy time with assessments being finalised and many significant celebrations. On Tuesday we had the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony which was well attended by parents and friends. Many thanks to the P&C and canteen for the excellent catering. Last night, Wednesday, was the Graduation Ball for Year 12 and tomorrow Albury High School is hosting the Proud and Deadly Awards for all Indigenous students within the area. I would like to thank all in advance for their contributions.

Work on the school management plan for 2015-17 continues. We are considering a vision statement which we feel captures the school's ethos. It is:

"Learning for All through Innovation, Tradition and Excellence"

As a proud comprehensive high school we value diversity and want all students to achieve their best, hence the 'learning for all' component (including targeted and quality learning for staff). Innovation, Tradition and Excellence is recognition of the current school mission statement but these terms and their meaning will be restated for today's

context and what we want to achieve in the future. This process is being worked on at the moment. From this we will develop three strategic directions to work on, to ensure we are meeting the vision of Learning for All.

To assist with this, in the next few weeks, a survey will be emailed to all parents as part of the consultation. The P&C and School Council are also involved in representing parent views. As always, if you wish to contribute you can send comments to our school email address.

Mr Darryl Ward
Principal

GERMAN NEWS

We are really pleased to announce that we will have a German language assistant, Ms Julia Gruhl, with us in Terms 1 & 2 2015.

If any Albury High School family or friends could help her with accommodation, please contact Mr David Hobson or Ms Virginia Nicholls in the Language department on 6021 3488.

Ms Virginia Nicholls
Languages

2015 DESIGNTECH NOMINATIONS

DesignTECH is an annual exhibition of outstanding Major Design Projects from Higher School Certificate (HSC) Design and Technology students. The exhibition takes place at the Powerhouse Museum in Sydney and also travels to a variety of regional areas each year.

Two students from the 2014 HSC Design and Technology class, Brayden Grimmond and Isaac Widdison, have been nominated as possible inclusions for DesignTECH 2015. Congratulations to both of these students for their outstanding achievement.

Mr Cameron Miller
Industrial Arts Teacher

BOOK PACKS 2015

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

Barkers OPD will be supplying the AHS book packs for 2015. 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 2015.**

Year 7 2015 students received order forms at the Year 7 Parent Information Evening in the AHS Information Package and also at the Taste of High School day.

Important dates:

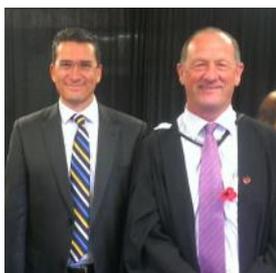
- **Week beginning Monday 17th November:** order forms distributed to all students
- **Friday 28th November:** book pack order forms due back to Albury High School
- **Wednesday 21st January, 2015:** Book pack collection day at the AHS Old Gym
- **Wednesday 28th & Thursday 29th January:** catch up collection 12noon – 1pm Old Gym

Further information will be given in subsequent issues of The Grapevine. Please consider supporting the P&C when purchasing school requirements for 2015 as all profits from sales, plus voluntary school contributions, are used in projects within the school.

Mrs Chris Wilson
Book Pack Coordinator

YEAR 12 GRADUATION 2014

Last Tuesday 11th November, saw the Graduation Ceremony for the class of 2014. We invited an ex-student David Koschitzke who graduated in 1978 to speak to the group. He shared some of his life advice to those assembled. Several themes emerged from the address: serving the community, meeting life's challenges by identifying them and working on a plan of action, that great things can be achieved if you put your mind to it using the examples from his year 12 cohort of Brad Jones and Richard Roxburgh.



Mr David Koschitzke & Mr Darryl Ward

Mr Bruce Jackson, the year 12 student adviser, spoke of the many achievements of the group. Mr Guy Lewis, who left the school for a promotional position at the

beginning of 2014, was invited to speak at the assembly and the success of the year 12 cohort is testament to both his and Mr Jackson's efforts over the six years. Mrs Harriss, acted as Year Adviser when they were in year 8, so the group have had many people contributing to their success.

Erin MacDonald of year 11 spoke on behalf of the student body and the school captains, Imogen Brooks and Dylan Harris both gave terrific speeches in response to Erin's and Mr Ward's speeches. A great celebration of the achievements of this fine group of young people.

The Graduation Ball was held at the Albury Convention Centre on Wednesday 12th November and was a great success. My thanks to Mrs Johnson for her assistance in the organisation of the event.

One of the highlights of teaching is seeing the maturation of students over their secondary schooling experience and the class of 2014 is no exception. They are a credit to themselves, their families and their school. Well Done!

Mr Andrew King
Deputy Principal Senior School

YOUTH ALBURY WODONGA LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

One of our students, Subash Poudyel was recently interviewed and selected to be part of a leadership program run by Youth Albury Wodonga. The program involved a 2 day camp at Greta South followed by a 10 day camp at Mittagundi. Subash graduated from the program with a ceremony at La Maison restaurant last week. Subash should be congratulated on being selected and completing this program which he thoroughly enjoyed.



Here is a report written by Subash

It was an awesome journey for 10 days with 20 other kids who I didn't really know at the beginning of the camp. It was a new life experience for me and the 20 other kids. We had a lot of fun. We would wake up in the morning, milk the cows, work on the farm all day and we would thank everyone for their help with the farm work or anything that we did.

We also did rafting, abseiling and overnight hiking for two days. I really enjoyed being part of a family that was focused on working together to achieve our goals. We weren't allowed to give up on anything and we had to keep pushing ourselves and helping each other. This was an experience that I will never forget in my life.

By Subash Poudyel

Ms Megan Salter
EAL/D teacher

CAPA NEWS

Students involved with Oklahoma will be off to see Les Miserables in Melbourne on 26th November. They are reminded to get notes and money in as soon as possible. CD orders for the Oklahoma photos are still being taken at the Front Office.

Visual Arts students have been invited to submit ideas for the mural outside the Jones Street store. The Jones Street Store and Albury City Council will be providing us with timber so that we can complete the mural at school.

Anna Mannering has won an award for her song produced on the Kool Skools album this year. The Album called 'QEII Square' features Anna Mannering, Georgie Currie, AHS students in bands: Quantum Theory, Sheridan and Once There Was.

Jacob McCrohan is continuing into the second phase of the Talent Development Project and journeys to Sydney in November and December for further workshops with the Arts Unit.

Ms McGuinness and a number of students will be attending School Spectacular this year. Ms McGuinness is part of the backstage crew while girls in the choir and in the Albury Dance Ensemble will be performing. We wish them all the best of luck for the week in Sydney.

The SRC and Year 11 Drama will be assisting in the concert to be held on Monday 15th December in the Western Area between 6.30pm and 8.00pm. This year, Legacy will be the recipient of the funds raised. More news in the next Grapevine.

Ms Margie Gleeson
Head Teacher Creative & Performing Arts

VICTORIAN ALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Year 7 student, Jackson Whiley, competed at the Victorian All Schools Athletics Championships held over the weekend in Melbourne. Jackson represented Albury High School as an invitational athlete. He had a great result in the 100 metre hurdles against some stiff competition, obtaining the bronze medal in what was a close race, with only tenths of a second separating him from the gold medal at the finish line. More impressive

was the time he ran it in. He ran an automatic qualifying time enabling him to run at the Australian National Championships.



Jackson Whiley (far right)

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WEEKS 7 & 8

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday November 18th

P&C Dinner Meeting - La Maison
6.30pm

Wednesday November 19th

Principal's Award Luncheon 12 noon

Prefects Elect 2015



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Brown, Patrick.jpg



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