# Arthur Phillip High School Newsletter

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#### Executive Conference - Assessment

Last Friday the school executive participated in a 2 day conference that focused on reviewing and improving whole school assessment practices. Ms. Sharp, Ms. Tatis and Ms. Duric presented provocative and well thought out presentations on the ways, we as teachers currently assess our student's achievement. They also led and facilitated discussions about how we can improve this practice, as assessment will continue to be a focus area for the school throughout 2019.

The conference also provided the executive with the opportunity to plan and prepare for our move into our new building as well as work through ways to streamline communication, in readiness for our move. Thanks to Ms. Sharp, Ms. Tatsis and Ms. Duric for their role as presenters and facilitators but also thanks to Ms. Vance and Mr Waugh who managed the Eastern and Main Campus in the absence of the executive team.

#### WHS & Finance Committees – Student Voice

A number of our wonderful Year 10 and 11 students have applied for student representation on the APHS WHS & Finance Committees. These students have formally applied for this opportunity as they are keen to build their knowledge of these management areas in our school, as well as ensure that there is a strong student voice shaping, the school's decision making.



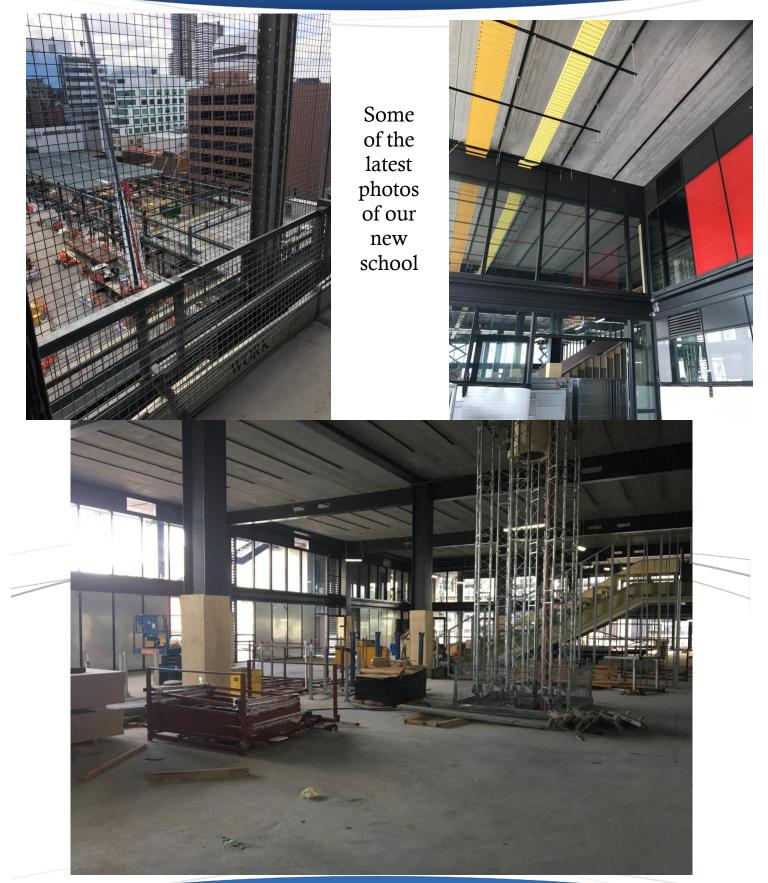
12/3/19	Year 5/6 Information Evening, 5pm in the Main Campus Library
14/3/19	SW Rugby League Gala Day
15/3/19	National Action Day Against Bullying
18/3/19	Science and Engineering Challenge
21/3/19	Harmony / Multicultural Day coordinated by the

SRC





At APHS we Strive



## Maintenance Works

Thanks to the hard work of Mr. Train, Mr. Milligan, Mr. Main and Mr. Bromhead our woodwork students will soon be able to begin actively working on their timber projects in 108, which has been refurbished as a temporary woodwork room, due 212 and 213 being out of action because of the fire. This has been a challenging time for both our students and staff but there appears to be light at the end of the tunnel and the formidable resilience shown by our school community continues to shine through.

To add to these challenges though, it was discovered through the work being done on our damaged rooms, that there was a slow gas leak in the quad. This situation has now been fixed but once again the inconvenience for our students and particularly our PDHPE faculty was significant as the work took up the basketball court in the Main Campus quadrangle.

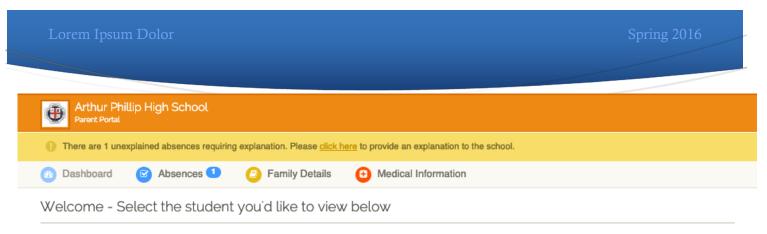
#### Change of Personal Details or Medical Conditions

Parents are reminded that it is incredibly important that personal and emergency contact details are kept up to date and current. Please notify the school as soon as there is a change in your child's personal details, so that we can continue to communicate with you quickly and efficiently. This also relates to any change in your child's health conditions. Below is a section from the NSW DoE Student Health in NSW Public Schools: A summary and consolidation of policy:

## 4.4. Expectations of parents/guardians/caregivers

Parents are expected to:

- co-operate with the school on student health matters.
- inform the school of the health needs of the child at enrolment or when health conditions develop or change.
- liaise with the child's medical practitioner about the implications of any health condition for their schooling and convey advice and information from the medical practitioner to the school.
- if required, provide prescribed medication and 'consumables' for administration by the school in a timely way and as agreed with the principal.
- where relevant, collaborate with the school in planning to support the child's health needs at school including updating information and reviewing plans. Relevant information on the role of parents can be found on the department's <u>student health</u> <u>section of the public schools website</u>.



Each of your children that attend Arthur Phillip High School will be shown below. Simply select which child you'd like to review by clicking on their photo. You can always toggle between each of your children by clicking on the student name located in the top right of your view.

Parents can go online to our Parent Portal and enter any changes to family details or medical conditions via the portal.

## International Women's Day #balanceforbetter

Ms. Pinzin and two of our senior students (Letizia Phung and Qamar Garabey) attended the Parramatta International Women's Day Breakfast at the Novotel. At the breakfast they listened to a number of prominent women speak about the improvements that had been made for women but also still the challenges and obstacles many women still face in third world countries.

