WONDERFUL TEACHERS

We have to say farewell to another stellar group of young adults – Year 12, 2013! At Valedictory today, 25 students received Major Awards in academic, sporting and cultural areas. Many other students received Merits and other awards including a final Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum Award. Congratulations to all our Year 12 students – you can be very proud of your achievements.

Remember there is still three weeks of hard work and study to go before your exams start on Monday, 14th October. Please read your final report carefully and heed the advice of your teachers. We want all students to maximise their marks in the HSC Examinations and, even if some students haven’t started studying yet, it is never too late!

On behalf of the AHS community, I would like to thank Mr Michael Lord for his work and dedication with Year 12 over the last six years. Being a Year Advisor is a huge commitment, but very rewarding, and I think Mr Lord has enjoyed every minute of it! Thank you also to all our wonderful teachers of Year 12 – for going the extra mile and providing extra time when students have asked or needed it. We will see you all one last time at the Formal in November and I’m sure I speak for all when I extend our best wishes to all of you for the future!

Remember that, “mighty oaks from little acorns grow”, and that the exceptional learning opportunities offered to you here at AHS are second to none and have helped you grow into strong and resilient adults.

Anne Matley
Principal

AHS at Carinya Horsesports Day.

AHS was well represented at the Carinya School horse sports day held at Moonbi on Friday 23rd August 2013. Katie Williams won 4 ribbons on the day. Lauren Selby and Zoe Johnson, 2nd in the pair of riders.

AHS can be proud of these students in the way they represented their school, bringing home a number of ribbons between them whilst competing against some of the top riders from the north of the state.

On Stage Nominations

Year 12 Drama received five On Stage nominations this year for best in the state in both public and private schools. We received nominations for two group devised pieces called Tinker Fell and Moonshine, as well as three individual performances including Apron Strings by Nicholas Kelly, Cream Biscuit under the Settee By Grace Biessel, and Psycho Girlfriend by Igraine Speers.


On-line registration is available to students at school through the coordinators. Students should collect the information form from Science or IA to collate data as to what activities are going to be undertaken. This is the next stage in the process before students can start their D of E Award. Any problems or questions please see the coordinators (Ms. Garvey, Mr. Channon and Mr. Laffan).
**CHS Athletics**

**Matur Maluach** 1st place CHS athletics in High Jump and Javelin

**Natasha Favotto** 3rd in 1500m and a member of 4x400m relay team which came 2nd

**Hockey**

Open Girls Hockey came 6th in State

**Basketball**

Boys U/15 Bball Regional Champions

**Careers News - Try A Trade Expo**

90 students from across the school participated in the Try A Trade Expo which was held at school on Monday 2nd September. The main aim of the day was to educate the students about different trades that are available to them and the potential opportunity for School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships and Apprenticeships for life after school.

The expo consisted of various hands on stalls being manned by local tradespeople who donated their time to help create an awareness of what was involved in their respective trade. Students were able to actively participate in industries such as auto mechanic, horticulture, electrical, plumbing/gas, fitness, construction and hair dressing.

Thanks must go out to all the local tradespeople for donating their time towards what was a very successful and enjoyable day for the students. Nev White from Try-a-Trade will be visiting years 10 and 11 in term 4 to talk about future opportunities.

**Year 12.** On a personal note I would like to thank Year 12 for the past year. Working with them during DEAR has been a pleasure and I wish them all the best in their exams and life after school. Remember that help and support is always here for you leading into and during your exams and even life after!