

# 2019 End of Year Newsletter

## 30 Years! 1989 - 2019

### Fashion

Fashion is a new subject that we have brought in in 2019, and some students have taken up this study- designing and making accessories, costumes and fashion items, and analysing the work of professional designers. Other students have chosen to take up self-directed learning in the Fashion space; learning basic machine and hand sewing skills and making bags, scrunchies, toys and costumes, and repairing their own clothes. We are looking forward to continuing with this exciting new subject in 2020.



### Art Space

**2019 saw the Art Whisperer (Lou) join forces with Jade to introduce pottery into the course. It is great to have the Kiln Room heating up. This is in addition to the Cert 1 and 2 in Visual Arts already going on. As always the Art Space is a vibrant and colourful space. The addition of the mural on the back wall is a great feature!**



### HEAD OF CAMPUS MESSAGE

Although it is always sad to farewell those young people who have finished their journey with us it is exciting to see the energy and hope that they bring to their future. Both they and our community are better for their efforts.

We have been blessed again this year to have the support of the Rotary Clubs of both Brisbane High Rise and Toowong. We are also very grateful for the support of St Vincent DePaul, Barooka Labor, and a number of anonymous individuals.

This year sees Julie leave us and head towards her new future. Julie has been at Albert Park for 14 years and has been instrumental in forming this community – she will be sadly missed.

Albert Park is a community that is as strong as its members. I thank everyone, particularly the staff and students who have made AP-FLC the vibrant community it is.

The future beckons!

Simon

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### Music Studio

On the 18th July the Music Program went offsite to check out Brisbane City Council's Visible Ink youth space, particularly spending time in their recording studio so students could learn how to access another space outside of school

### Child Safety Week

A grant from the Queensland Government allowed the community to present Helping Baby Dragons. This wonderful promenade play was presented for and by the community and was written by our own Heidi and Julie! Children from local schools and child care centres were also invited as well as the artistic director of Out Of The Box.

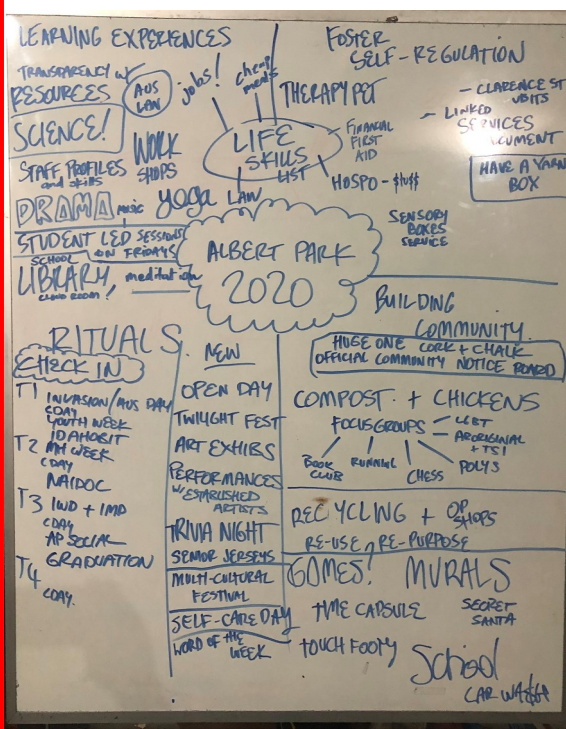
This was more quietly followed by an excursion to Southbank with the Families program to explore the galleries, play areas, water park and BBQ's . A great day was had by everyone.



### Leadership Camp

Thanks so much for your participation in the Year 11 Leadership camp!

You were all incredible over those two days showing initiative with getting camp set up, art activities, music, mindfulness, cooking + cleaning, showing respect and participation during the Jellurgal walk with Yugambah TO - Anthony and contributing meaningfully to the discussions about Albert Park in 2020. Thankyou!





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The Families Room has been very busy again this year. We have welcomed a number of mums and bubs but have also said goodbye to a few of our littlest community members as they head off to a local kindergarten.



In an exciting development the Indooroopilly Montessori Children's House helped us greatly to build our new children's playground at Albert Park. This is a great asset and we are very grateful.

The Christmas hampers that we distributed thanks to IMCH generosity were also very appreciated as were the supplies provided by the Rotary Club of Toowong.

### Study Centre

2019 was the final year for the older QCAA subjects English Communication and Pre-Vocational Mathematics, and it has also been the year that we have commenced new QCAA subjects- Essential English and Essential Mathematics, and the Short Course in Literacy and Short Course in Numeracy.

There has been a real buzz in the Study Centre this year, with many students challenging themselves to take up English and maths studies, even though many had found these subjects difficult in the past due to prior disruptions to their learning. We have felt a lot of admiration for the courage students have shown in working towards entering the 'learning zone'; a state of mind where they are willing to give things a go, even when it doesn't feel easy.

### Get Physical

Once again Albert Park was admirably supported by PCYC and Dundee's Boxing. Many young people have found new levels of discipline and energy in their physical endeavours with Getano, Ray and Jade.

