



Spin Chat



Our Year 10 students commenced the AWARE (based on the PARTY Program research) for 2019 with a visit from Robbie Peime from Spinchat. Robbie presented to students on his lived experience with a spinal cord injury.

Spin Chat is an initiative of Independence Australia and aims to promote prevention and educate secondary school students about spinal cord injury.

Robbie stated to the students that "My life changed forever when I was 17, I was involved in a head-on collision between a car and the motorbike I was riding. I was airlifted to hospital in a critical condition". His presentation was an amazingly honest and candid account of the lived experiences. He faced his difficulties within his life truthfully and with courage, he was a true inspiration to us all. To read more of Robbie's story please visit www.spinchat.org.au

Next Tuesday 20th August our year 10 students will head to EGCH to gain a greater understanding of the local health services and how they deal with individuals involved in trauma.

A Message from our Principal ...

It's been a very busy couple of weeks at our school, with staff and students participating in a number of extra activities. Congratulations to everyone involved in:

- last week's school production of Buffy the Vampire Slayer the Musical
- the Spin Chat presentation to Year 10 students ahead of next week's hospital visit
- the visit from the principal of the School For Student Leadership to speak to Year 9 students who will be attending in Term 4
- Thursday's Year 10 excursion to the Holocaust Museum in Melbourne
- ongoing rehearsals for the State Schools Spectacular
- Friday's Senior Formal

Year 9 Morrisby Interviews

This week our Year 9 students have had one-on-one discussions with an independent career counsellor. They have been able to chat about their strengths, values and preferences and then set realistic goals with actions for the beginning of their career journey. Students will know have this valuable information as they look at their subject selection for 2020 and move towards the senior end of the school. This process is a part of the DET (Department of Education) career education reforms and new initiatives that have begun rolling out this year. Feedback from students is that this has been a valuable process.

Subject Selection 2020

Thank you to all families who came along to our subject selection night this week. If you or your child still have questions regarding this information please don't hesitate in contacting the school. As students' progress into the middle and senior years of their schooling it is important that they are selecting subjects that support their pathway, or, if they aren't sure what that is, subjects that keep their options open. Students will now move into subjection selection interviews with their Sub-School Leaders, with final selections due on **Friday 23rd of August.** The printed subject selection form needs to be signed by the student, parent and their sub-school leader.

Ellie McDougall

Acting Principal

Ararat College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.



Buffy the Vampire Slayer the Musical





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This Week in ... 9/10 Art

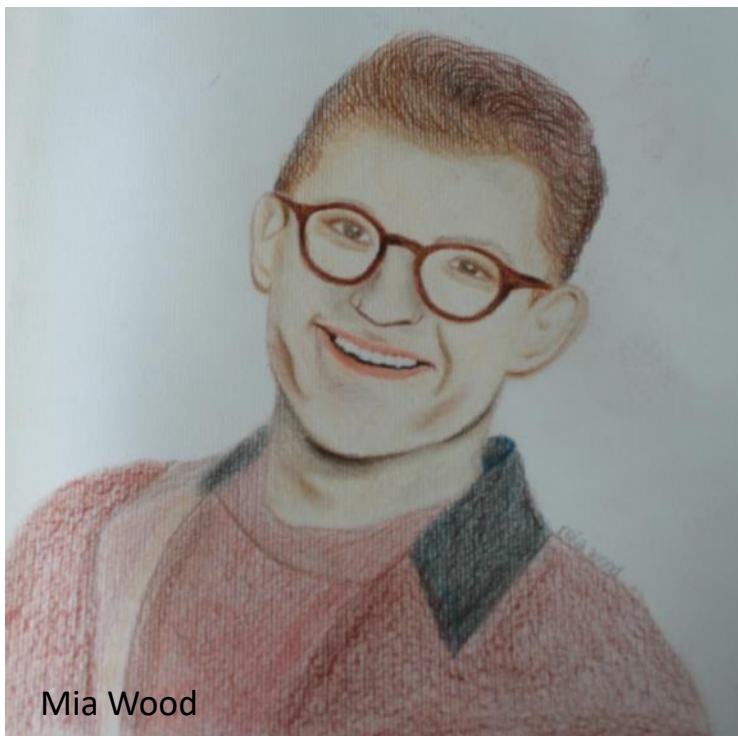
Mrs Lugg's 9/10 Art class have been working on portraiture.



Bailey Pennycad



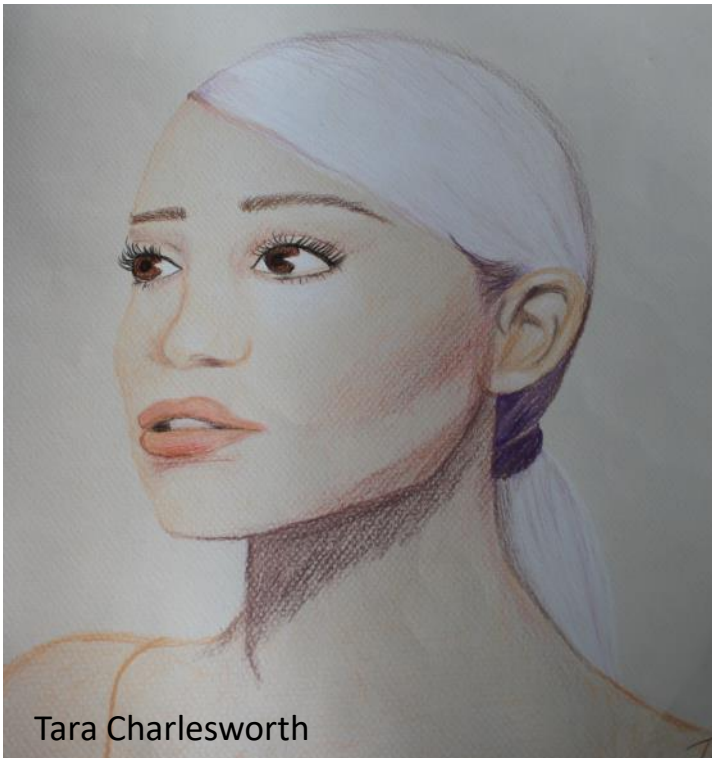
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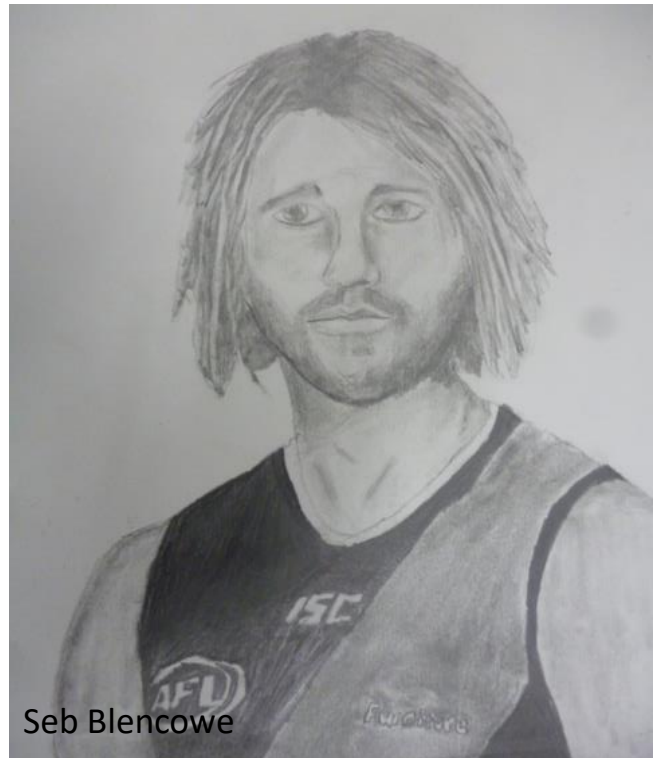
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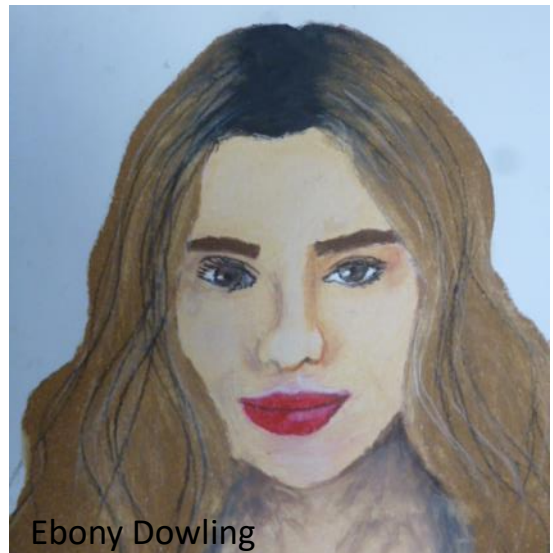
Tara Charlesworth



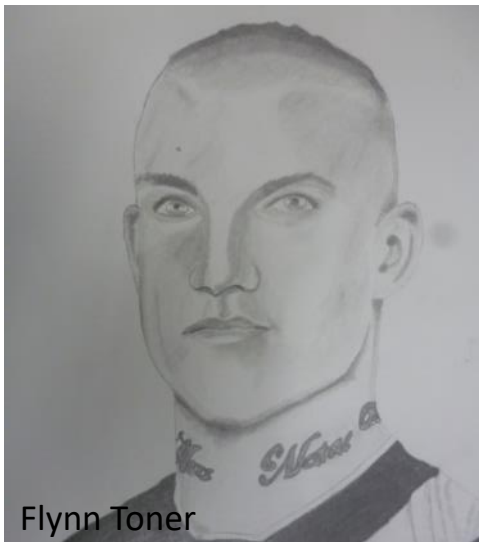
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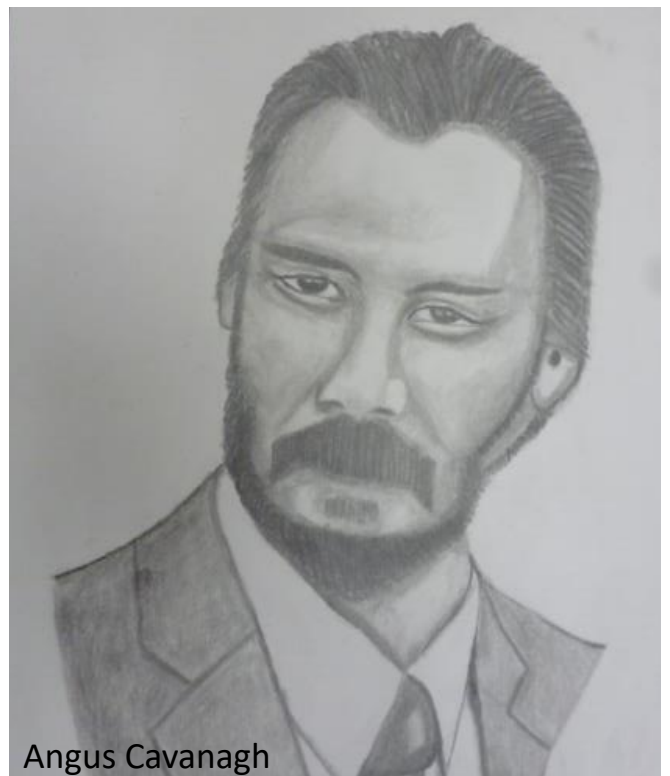
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Ebony Dowling



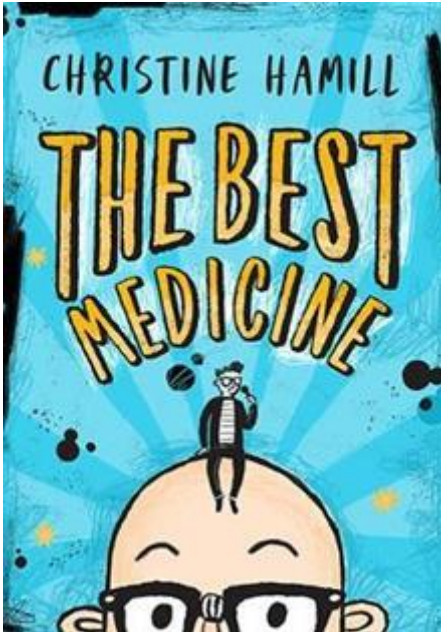
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Angus Cavanagh

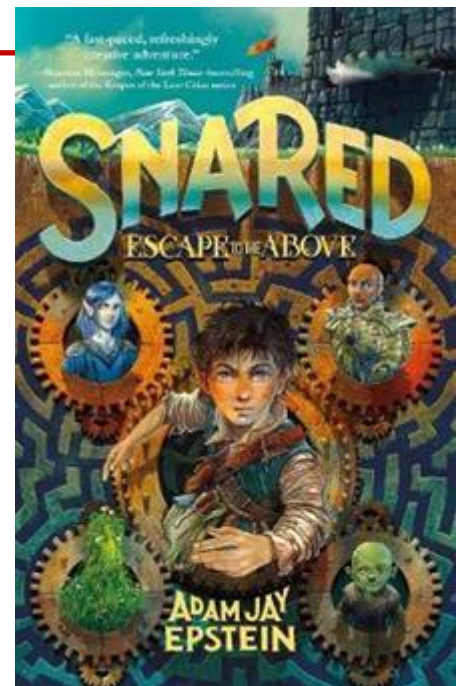
AC Reads

New books now available in the library



Things aren't going well for Philip Wright. It's not just the detentions or the girl problems that are getting him down. Or the fact that he weighs about the same as a medium-sized dog even though he's practically a teenager. Now his best friend is acting super weird, his mum has stopped laughing at his jokes, and his English teacher thinks Philip is... a poet. When Mum gives him some seriously bad news, Philip looks to his comedy hero, Harry Hill, for an answer. But what if it's impossible to joke his way out of this? **THE BEST MEDICINE** is an unforgettable reminder that laughter is the ultimate remedy.

Chopping blades, scorpion nests, giant spiderwebs - no one makes traps better than Wily Snare. He has never seen the sun, or blue sky, or even his parents. Wily Snare lives underground, creating traps to keep treasure-seekers away from the gold in an ancient wizard's dungeon. He spends his days mopping up giant slug slime, avoiding poison darts, and herding undead skeletons. It's all he knows. Until an unusual band of adventurers - an acrobatic elf, a warrior with a magic arm, and a giant made of moss - successfully defeat Wily's traps. And they want the ultimate treasure: Wily himself. His skills can help them invade every other dungeon in the kingdom. He might even aid their fight against the Infernal King, whose gearfolk and prisonaunts terrorize the land. But for a boy who has never been outside, dungeons aren't nearly as scary as the world above. Or an evil king who builds the trickiest traps of all . . . **Snared: Escape to the Above** is the first book in a new fantasy adventure series from bestselling author Adam Jay Epstein.



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is....	over 13 years of schooling, that's....
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly HALF A YEAR
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Nearly 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 AND A HALF YEARS
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 AND A HALF YEARS



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TEAM



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Thursday 18th July 2019



Thursday 1st, 15th & 29th August 2019



Thursday 12th & 26th September 2019

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Drones will be provided**



ENGAGE!

Calendar Term 3

(Week 6)	Monday	19	
August	Tuesday	20	Year 12 Excursion - Ballarat PARTY Program - Year 10
	Wednesday	21	Defence Force Careers Presentation
	Thursday	22	
	Friday	23	Subject Selections 2020 to be completed Outdoor Ed Hike — Years 9, 10, 11
(Week 7)	Monday	26	
	Tuesday	27	
	Wednesday	28	
	Thursday	29	
	Friday	30	
(Week 8)	Monday	2	Year 11 Biology Zoo excursion
	Tuesday	3	
	Wednesday	4	
	Thursday	5	Parent, Teacher, Student Conversations evening
	Friday	6	Parent, Teacher, Student Conversation morning

Please note : the Wednesday afternoon homework group with Mr Thomas will not run during August.

Ararat College acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the country throughout Victoria. We pay our respects to them, their culture and their Elders past, present and emerging.