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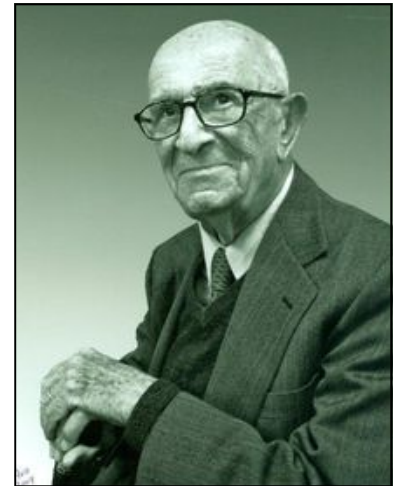
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Dear Parents,

**IN MEMORY OF MR YERVANT BABAYAN**

During Alexander School's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert, I had the honour of making the announcement that the Principal's Office will be dedicated to the memory of Mr Yervant Babayan.

Mr Babayan, who passed away over a year ago, was a well known long time educator, prolific writer, public speaker and author of many books. He was also a good friend of the AGBU Sydney community, where he spent some time during his visits in the 1980s. His presence and significant contribution was instrumental in the establishment of Alexander school. Together with the support of the AGBU Sydney Chapter committee, he was able to bond a great friendship and earn the trust of our Benefactors Dr Alex and Mrs Isabelle Alexander.



His presence at the official laying of the Foundation Stone in 1986 was inspirational and marked the initial success of establishing an Armenian day school. He was also here in 1991, at the official opening ceremony as the representative of our great benefactor Alex Manoogian. It was a gratifying moment for him, opening the doors of a new Armenian school and fulfilling the promise to our benefactors.

Together with many of our past and present parents, I too have had the privilege of being his student when he was the Principal of the Vahan Tekeyan School in Beirut, Lebanon. In fact, the Primate of the Armenian Apostolic Church of Australia & New Zealand, His Grace Bishop Haigazoun Najarian was also Babayan's student.

Mr Babayan has a noted and distinguished record in the preservation of the Armenian identity, particularly in the younger generation. There is no doubt that he has had a profound impact by instilling in the hearts of his students the everlasting love for the motherland, the Armenian people and the Armenian Church. It will be an honour for us to dedicate the Principal's Office in his memory.



The official unveiling and dedication ceremony will be held during our 'Presentation and Graduation Concert' - Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

As you are aware, since last year our scripture instruction program has been extended from two terms to the whole year. Mrs Cynthia Tomassian has been back this term and has once again volunteered to join our classrooms on Fridays to assist with the teaching of scripture. The students enjoy these occasions and are always eager to complete the set tasks and activities that accompany the lessons.



# 2015 HONOUR AWARD LIST



Congratulations to

*Peter  
Adelin*



## NEW 'OPAL CARDS' AND ONLINE FORMS FOR YEAR 2 STUDENTS



From Term 1, 2016 Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme via a new online application process.

Most students won't need to apply for a School Opal card if they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive School Opal card in 2016.

However, it is a requirement for students progressing from **Year 2 to 3** (transition year) to reapply online, by completing the application form, printing it out and returning it to school. This is also the case for any changes in student address.

The application form is available at:  
**transport.info/school-students**

### BOOK CLUB - ISSUE 8

Order Forms/Money Due by  
**Tuesday  
24<sup>th</sup> November, 2015**

Orders after this date cannot be processed.  
Please place your orders in clearly marked envelopes.



## REMINDER: Don't Forget the Fruit!

The school has a **Crunch&Sip** break at the start and also the end of each day, for students to refuel on fruit and vegetables and rehydrate on water.

Please make sure your son or daughter has an extra piece of fruit or vegetable for Crunch&Sip each day.



## HOUSE POINTS TERM 4

*Uniform, Playground, Charity  
& Awards*



**ARARAT** - 166 points

**MASIS** - 148 points



## TEACHERS' AWARD

TERM 4 - WEEK 7

Preparatory: Khloe



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- 22/11 Armenian 'Kermesse' - School Choir
- 24/11 Prep/K Orientation Day
- 03/12 2016 Captain Speeches & Election
- 07/12 Armenia's Earthquake Remembrance Day
- 11/12 Armenian Welfare Centre - Christmas Visit
- Student Yearly Reports - Sent Out
- 13/12 Presentation and Graduation Concert
- 14/12 Party Day (Honour Award Treat) - Details TBA
- 15/12 Final Assembly - Prep/Kindy Graduation
- 16/12 Last Day Term 4 for students
- Alexander Rest Home - Christmas Visit
- 17/12 Staff Planning Day

*Check the online calendar for the latest updates.*

## ARMENIAN STUDENT FUND

### WEEKLY REPORT: Term 4 Week 7

8 Points - <b>MASIS</b>	.....	\$11.50
6 Points - <b>ARARAT</b>	.....	\$11.15
<b>TOTAL:</b>	.....	<b>\$22.65</b>
<b>ACCUMULATED:</b>	.....	<b>\$624.45</b>

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~ NOTICE ~

Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> December is *Safety Week*.

Students are required to bring a **T-shirt and shorts** to be worn over their swimming costume during the lesson.



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Armenian Genocide Centenary closing commemoration for 2015

Under the auspices of Primate Bishop Haigazoun Najarian

Organized by the AGBU Sydney Chapter – Theme of the day

**100 years on – Yesterday and Today**

Bilingual Lecture, Presentation, Debate, Q&A

Short video clips will be presented and cultural performances

- \* Pilgrimage to Historical Armenia
- \* Lost Armenians
- \* I'm Armenian

The Main Speakers:

Sarkis Manoukian – In Armenian

Manoushag Apikian-Sanossian – In Armenian

Kev Dertadian – In English

Open invitation to all, especially the younger generation

**DATE AND VENUE**

**Saturday 28 November 2015, AGBU Hall, 2 Yeo Street Neutral Bay. 7.00PM**