

ALTONA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Knowledge and Nurturing by the Bay

MOTTO: *Be True*
VISION: *Knowledge and Nurturing by the Bay*
MISSION: *To provide a positive, challenging, innovative, caring and safe environment for our children, enabling them to learn academically, creatively, socially and emotionally in all aspects of life.*

Principal's Corner

I attended the 'Altona Primary School Has Got Talent' auditions last week. The quality of the singing and performing was superb. One of the highlights, amongst many others, was Lewis from Grade Prep. There is so much musical talent at the school. Mr. Rouse contributes a lot of his own time to have the best music program possible.

The junior choir sounded beautiful at Monday morning's assembly. Thank you to Mrs. Aird for taking over the running of the choirs.

Teachers are working every night and on weekends to complete student reports. It is great to see all students progressing academically. On behalf of all of our families, I would like to thank the teachers for the wonderful work they do.

I am pleased to announce Mr. Shawqi Ein and Sweeney Real Estate as a major sponsor of Altona P.S. Shawqi's sponsorship will go towards new landscaping in the area outside Mr. Hargreaves' room.

Our grade 5/6 campers arrived safely at camp this week. Mrs. Twyerould sent a message saying this is the best camp she has ever been on and the best group she has taken away. We are always so proud to take our students anywhere. Congratulations to Sam, William and Tadhg for instigating the cleaning up of the schoolyard. Their efforts quickly proliferated into a group of helpers. The boys also spoke at assembly on Monday about putting litter in the bins. Leadership is about ascertaining a problem and enacting a solution. Well done boys.

We are hoping to trial a radical new plan to eliminate litter in the schoolyard. There would be no rubbish bins in the yard. All eating would occur inside the classroom before recess and lunchtime. Students would be given enough time to eat and be able to eat while they work. All items of rubbish would be returned to the student's lunch box or lunch bag and taken home. This would create a litter free school.

We would like to trial this for the last two weeks of this term, starting on Monday June 19th.

The grade 5/6 students are already doing this. The recent series 'War Against Waste' highlights the compelling reasons why we should be looking after our planet. Every small effort counts and can transform into one large united effort. If you have been watching the War Against Waste on television you would be very motivated to make sure the world is preserved for future generations.

Have a great weekend



Monday 12th June

Public holiday - Queen's Birthday

Tuesday 13th June – Friday 16th June

Camp Adanac 5/6 Group 2
(56M/56G/56F/56J)

Thursday 15th June

Grade 3/4 Hooptime

Thursday 22nd June

FFC 9am APS Staffroom

Friday 23rd June

School Disco

Monday 26th June

Curriculum Day

Friday 30th June

Last day of Term 2
Early finish 1.30pm

WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR

(PARENTS)

8/6/17

After School Activities: Dan-Sing Wed 3:20-4:20pm, Art Class Thurs 3:30pm-4:30pm, Science Class Wed 3:15-4:15pm
Guitar Group Wed & Thursday 3:15-4:15, Junior Ukulele Friday 3:15-4:00pm, Robotics (Snr) Wed 3:30-4:30pm,
Robotics (jnr) Tues 3:15-4:15.

CHANGES: Grade 3 & 4s Hooptime 15th June

2017 TERM 2

WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)

Please be aware of the following changes to the Calendar

Prep – Grade 2 Swimming sessions Thursday 19th October – 7th December and Fridays 20th Oct – 8th December 17

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	17 th April EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	18 th April Commence Term 2	19 th April	20 th April FFC – 9am APS Staff room	21 st April Grade 2 Altona Homestead Visit 9-11 2M & 2W 11.30 – 1.30 2N & 2K
WEEK 2	24 th April 2.30pm APS ANZAC DAY SERVICE	25 th April ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	26 th April State Swimming	27 th April	28 th April
WEEK 3	1 st May CURRICULUM DAY	2 nd May	3 rd May Prep T incursion Playact	4 th May	5 th May Winter Sports R1 Prep H incursion Playact
WEEK 4	8 th May	9 th May NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	10 th May 7pm School Council NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	11 th May 2.15pm 1B PlayACT incursion. NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	12 th May Winter Sports R2 Mother's Day Stall
WEEK 5	15 th May APS Athletics day – Grade 3/4	16 th May Altona District Cross Country	17 th May	18 th May APS Athletics day – Grade 5/6	19 th May Prep "Zoo Excursion" National Walk to school day
WEEK 6	22 nd May	23 rd May FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room	24 th May	25 th May First Aid in Schools – Grade 1-6	26 th May Winter Sports R4 Grade 2 StartSmart Incursion
WEEK 7 National Reconciliation Week	29 th May 9am Aboriginal Art Mural Launch at Assembly Grade 1 Mini-beast Incursion	30 th May	31 st May Divisional Cross Country	1 st June	2 nd June Winter Sports R5
WEEK 8	5 th June	6 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	7 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	8 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T)	9 th June 5/6 Camp Group 1 Camp ADANAC (56X/56H/56T) Winter Sports R6
WEEK 9	12 th June QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	13 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J)	14 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J)	15 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J) Grade 3 / 4 Hoop time	16 th June 5/6 Camp Group 2 Camp ADANAC (56M/56G/56F/56J) Winter Sports Round Robin Finals F&F Parents Night out. Hanger 1one2
WEEK 10	19 th June	20 th June	21 st June	22 nd June	23 rd June
			7pm School Council	FFC – 9am APS Staff room WMR Cross Country	SCHOOL DISCO
WEEK 11	26 th June	27 th June	28 th June	29 th June	30 th June
	CURRICULUM DAY				End Term 2 1:30pm

2017 Term 3 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	17 th July	18 th July	19 th July	20 th July	21 st July
	Commence Term 3			State Cross Country	
WEEK 2	24 th July	25 th July	26 th July	27 th July	28 th July
		FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room			29 th July Robotics Melbourne Regional Comp
WEEK 3	31 st July	1 st Aug	2 nd Aug	3 rd Aug	4 th Aug
				Grade 2 Werribee Zoo Excursion	
WEEK 4	7 th Aug	8 th Aug	9 th Aug	10 th Aug	11 th Aug
WEEK 5 APS Gaelic Football Comp	14 th Aug	15 th Aug	16 th Aug	17 th Aug	18 th Aug
		Robotics State Comp	7pm School Council	FFC – 9am APS Staff room	
WEEK 6 APS Gaelic Football Comp	21 st Aug	22 nd Aug	23 rd Aug	24 th Aug	25 th Aug
			ART SHOW Opening night (adults only)	ART SHOW After school 3:30-7:00pm	ART SHOW After school 3:30-7:00pm 56 Hoop time Sat 26 th Aug ART SHOW 10am-12pm
WEEK 7 APS Gaelic Football Comp	28 th Aug	29 th Aug	30 th Aug	31 st Aug	1 st Sept
			Prep – 3 Brave hearts Incursion in PAC		2018 Prep Enrolments close
WEEK 8 APS Gaelic Football Comp	4 th Sept	5 th Sept	6 th Sept	7 th Sept	8 th Sept
		Altona District Athletics	7pm School Council	Backup Day Altona District Athletics	
WEEK 9	11 th Sept	12 th Sept	13 th Sept	14 th Sept	15 th Sept
			Divisional Athletics		
WEEK 10	18 th Sept	19 th Sept	20 th Sept	21 st Sept	22 nd Sept
		FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room			End Term 3 1:30pm

	2017 TERM 4 WHOLE SCHOOL CALENDAR (PARENTS)				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	9 th Oct	10 th Oct	11 th Oct	12 th Oct	13 th Oct
	Commence Term 4				Family & Friends "Girls Night Out" Koorngal Golf Club
WEEK 2	16 th Oct	17 th Oct	18 th Oct	19 th Oct	20 th Oct
		WMR Athletics	7pm School Council Prep Fire Ed Program 9 – 11am	FFC – 9am APS Staff room P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 3	23 rd Oct	24 th Oct	25 th Oct	26 th Oct	27 th Oct
			Prep Fire Ed Program 9 – 11am	P-2 Swim Sessions	SCHOOL DISCO (Halloween theme) P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 4	30 th Oct	31 st Oct	1 st Nov	2 nd Nov	3 rd Nov
	State Athletics WMR Summer Sports Finals 30 th – 3 rd Nov			P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 5 APS European Handball Comp	6 th Nov	7 th Nov	8 th Nov	9 th Nov	10 th Nov
	CURRICULUM DAY	MELBOURNE CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	7pm School Council	WMR Hot Shots Final P-2 Swim Sessions	APS House Colour Day P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 6 APS European Handball Comp	13 th Nov	14 th Nov	15 th Nov	16 th Nov	17 th Nov
				P-2 Swim Sessions	P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 7 APS European Handball Comp	20 th Nov	21 st Nov	22 nd Nov	23 rd Nov	24 th Nov
		FFC – 7:30pm APS Staff room (AGM)	5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 8 APS European Handball Comp	27 th Nov	28 th Nov	29 th Nov	30 th Nov	1 st Dec
			5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 9	4 th Dec	5 th Dec	6 th Dec	7 th Dec	8 th Dec
			5/6 Family Life	P-2 Swim Sessions	5/6 Family Life P-2 Swim Sessions
WEEK 10	11 th Dec	12 th Dec	13 th Dec	14 th Dec	15 th Dec
		Grade 6 Orientation Day (Govt Schools)			
WEEK 11	18 th Dec	19 th Dec	20 th Dec	21 st Dec	22 nd Dec
		Grade 6 Graduation Wyndham Cultural Centre			End Term 4 1:00pm



"You can do it"

Week 8 Term 2



Prep Awards		
Isabela	Prep B	<u>Getting Along</u> – <i>for always being a kind and caring friends to all members in Prep B</i>
Ella	Prep H	<u>Persistence</u> – <i>for persisting with recording the sounds she hears in words.</i>
Lara	Prep T	<u>Getting Along</u> – <i>for persisting with challenging tasks and putting in her best efforts.</i>
Grade 1 Awards		
Kunwar	1PL	<u>Persistence</u> – <i>for writing a detailed recount based on the Aboriginal story "How the birds got their colours".</i>
Rachael	1B	<u>Persistence</u> – <i>for using such a range of strategies to solve subtraction problems. Truly impressive stuff.</i>

Ronan	1PL	<u>Persistence</u> – for writing a detailed recount based on the Aboriginal story “How the birds got their colours”.
Grade 2 Awards		
Xavier	2M	<u>Resilience</u> – for calmly problem solving when something went wrong without getting upset.
Aidan	2M	<u>Confidence</u> – for being 2Ms amazing ICT expert. Having the confidence to share his knowledge and teach his peers.
Jasmine	2W	<u>Persistence</u> – for doing a great job creating a tally and graphing the data.
Eva	2M	<u>Persistence</u> – for her amazing effort with her homework task. Recording everything she did to complete the maths task
Grade 3 Awards		
Aidan	3F	<u>Persistence</u> – for the effort that you put into ensuring your handwriting was neat and easy to read when writing your narrative last week. Amazing effort Aidan.
Willem	3F	<u>Persistence</u> – for the amount of effort that you have been putting into your handwriting lately. I am so proud of you
Vidyet	3F	<u>Getting Along</u> – for being the fantastic role model that you are. You are a very trustworthy student who always makes fabulous choices. Thank you for always putting in your very best effort.
Grade 4 Awards		
Faith	4M	<u>Organisation</u> – for being such an amazing person by supporting her and helping her problem-solve. We need more of you Faith!

Aravindh	4B	<u>Persistence</u> – for persisting with your addition and subtraction goals. I am so proud of your hard work!
Grade 56 Awards		
Naydean	56J	<u>Confidence</u> – for creating an amazing information report on the Black Jaguar. Your language selection and use of show, don't tell is phenomenal.
Nicholas	56T	<u>Organisation</u> – for always clearly and neatly presenting his homework on See Saw each and every week!
Roman	56XV	<u>Confidence</u> – for reading out loud with confidence and sharing thoughtful ideas during class discussions.
Matthew	56F	<u>Persistence</u> – for using his persuasive checklist to write an entertaining persuasive piece on the topic, "Should smoking be banned".
Jaymi	56F	<u>Persistence</u> – for using his persuasive checklist to write an entertaining persuasive piece on the topic, "Should smoking be banned".

congratulations



Printing & Weaving

After school art and craft classes will be held in the art room on a Thursday afternoon between 3.30-4.30pm in term three.

The opportunity to participate is offered to children from grades 2 – 6.

The cost includes a deposit of \$30 to cover materials and \$10 per session, making a total of \$110 for 8 Sessions.

Permission slips and payments must be directed to Mrs Cain in the art room and not the main office.

Session 1 (27/7/17): Scratch film- tea light candle wrap

Session 2 (03/8/17): Etching designs on printing foam

Session 3 (10/8/17): Printing multiple designs with paint

Session 4 (17/8/17): Experimenting with sun dyes on fabrics

Session 5 (31/8/17): Weaving and mounting small rainbow mats

Session 6 (07/9/17): Weaving with ribbons, raffia, wool and fabrics

Session 7 (14/9/17): Continue with weaving pieces

Session 8 (21/9/17): Decorate a fabric carry bag

- **Please note; there will not be a class on the 24/8/17 due to the APS Artshow celebrations.**

Please complete the attached form to indicate interest in attending. I will contact you as soon as possible. A deposit of \$30 will be required by the last week of term 2 (26/06/17) to allow time for the purchase of materials.

I am delighted to offer this opportunity out of school hours and look forward to working with children who enjoy art and craft as much as I do.

Thank you, Mrs Cain

After School Art and Craft Classes. Term 3, 2017.

Printing & Weaving

Child's name: _____ Grade: _____



Parent/Guardian _____

Contact Number: _____

Email: _____



Altona Primary School Art Show 2017

The students and staff are busy creating their art pieces for our up and coming APS Art Show.

Important Dates

Opening night 23rd of August – Adults only auction night with entertainment and light refreshments. From past experiences a-not-to-be-missed night! Book your baby sitters now. Tickets can be purchased in Term 3.

Family Viewing and Gallery opening times:

Thursday 24th of August from 3:30-7:00pm

Friday 25th of August from 3:30-7:00pm

Saturday 26th of August from 10:00am-12:00pm

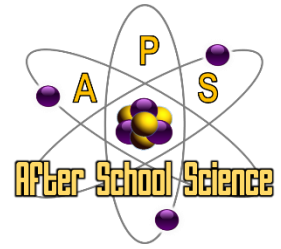
Thanks,

Christina Sakellarides
Grade 4M



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

'Human Biology, Engineering and Astronomy'



Dear Parents and Students,

We are pleased to offer an **After School Science** program that will be held on Wednesdays from 3.15pm – 4.15pm. The opportunity to participate is offered to students from grade 1 to grade 6. This term our focus will be on **Human Biology, Engineering and Astronomy**.

We are excited to be involved in this fabulous science program where our hands on experiments will complement classroom learning and inspire the scientist in each student involved. Please complete the attached form below to indicate interest and we will contact you.

A deposit of **\$30.00** will be required by **Friday 16th of June** to allow time for the purchase of materials and to secure your child's place in the program. *The cost of each session will be \$10.00. If would like to pay in full the cost is \$120 including the deposit.*

Please note that all payments need to be made in cash, NO BPAY and sent to Mrs. Kenny in Room 15.
Dates: Term 3, 2017.

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| – Week 1 Wednesday 19 th of July | – Week 2 Wednesday 26 th of July |
| – Week 3 Wednesday 2nd of August | – Week 4 Wednesday 9th of August |
| – Week 5 Wednesday 16th of August | – Week 6 Wednesday 23rd of August |
| – Week 7 Wednesday 30th of August | – Week 8 Wednesday 6th of September |
| – Week 9 Wednesday 13th of September | |

We will contact you if you are successful in your expression of interest.

We will select students on a first in priority basis. So please get notes in as soon as possible.

If the session is popular and our waiting list is extensive we will consider doing another session on a Friday from 3.15 to 4.15pm.

Please express your interest, however understand that this will only go ahead if the demand is there.

Thank you,

Mrs Kenny and Miss Hruschka

CROSS WITH CARE

Please take care when crossing the road with your children. Children and adults should cross with our lollipop lady or at least use the pedestrian crossing.



Compass News

Thanks to all everyone who has successfully logged in to Compass. We have fewer than 100 parents and families that still need to activate their accounts and it would be fantastic to have the entire school community using Compass by the end of the term. If you have any issues, please inform the office staff and they will be able to assist you.

If you have activated your account and have forgotten your password, you can reset your password using the [can't access your account](#) tab on the Altona Primary School Compass homepage.

Furthermore, please make sure you keep your username and password safe at all times.

You may have noticed items published to the [newsfeed](#) component such as the school newsletter and assembly reminders. We will continue to use this more regularly over the coming weeks and terms to communicate to everyone at APS. It has been great to see so many parents and families using Compass to inform us of any student absences. You can add any absences using the app or web browser versions of Compass by clicking on the add [notes/approvals](#) tab and providing all the necessary information. In addition, you can still contact the office on 9398 2925 to update any student absence. It is important that these records stay up to date and accurate for all students.



UNIFORM UPDATE

Parents please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform to school.

We are seeing a number of children in clothing that is not the APS uniform. A letter will be given to your child to explain why they are out of uniform, this needs to be filled in and returned.

We realise that sometimes this cannot be helped due to circumstances, however we always have pre loved uniform for sale at \$1 per item.

You can view this uniform before and after school.

Please see the office for payment and any questions.

LOST PROPERTY

Parents please be sure to regularly check through the lost property. It is overflowing at the moment.

It is important to name all uniform items, lunch boxes etc.

All named items will always be returned to your child if found in lost property.

Pokémon Card Stall

To support the SRC and help raise money for charities, we will be selling pre-loved Pokémon cards Tuesday snack and Friday lunch times.

Cards will be 50c. Empty Tins will be \$3.

If you have any old Pokémon you can donate, please send them to 4B's classroom.

Our Pokémon stall will be set up outside Miss Beckman's classroom. We hope to see you there to buy some awesome cards and help raise money!



Altona Primary School

FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

COMMITTEE



The Friends and Families Committee are inviting you to a



disco

Friday 23rd June

JUNIOR DISCO: Prep - Grade 3: **6.30-7.30pm**

SENIOR DISCO: Grade 3 - 6: **7.45-9pm**
(You can only attend 1 disco.)

Tickets: \$5 per child, pay at the door
Families with 3 or more children: \$10 per family

On the night we will be selling snacks for \$1. Water provided. The disco is for children only and only children enrolled at APS can attend. Flashing lights will be used. Tribal body painting available for \$1. Flashing items for sale \$2 (can be recycled if you dismantle)

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Winter Food Drive throughout June!



Items needed:

- UHT milk
- Oil
- Flour
- Sugar
- Rice (basmati or long grain)
- Tea or coffee
- Diced tomatoes
- Dry chickpeas or lentils
- Tinned legumes (4-5 bean mix or red kidney, chickpeas or lentils)
- Tinned veg (corn, peas or carrots)
- Tinned tuna or sardines
- Dishwashing liquid /All purpose cleaner
- Bars of soap
- Disposable Nappies 10kg+



Throughout the month of June, the Friends and Families Committee will be collecting food and toiletries to contribute to the West Welcome Wagon winter food drive.

Collection boxes are located in each classroom and in the Administration Office.

West Welcome Wagon (WWW) is a team of 200+ core volunteers run by volunteer managers. WWW currently assists over 500 households of asylum seekers from over 30 different countries. WWW primarily provides material aid (good quality donated items) directly to asylum seekers in Melbourne's West eg furniture, bedding, clothing, children's toys, appliances and kitchenware.

Connect with the Wagon:

donate@westwelcomewagon.org.au
www.westwelcomewagon.org.au

**Thank you for your
generosity!**

